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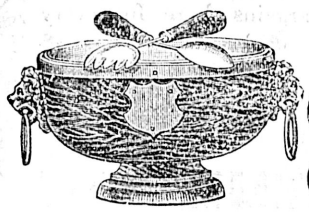

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FIRST DESCRIPTIVE STORY OF BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

An Eyewitness of The First Action of the War Succeeds in Getting Through The Russian Lines at Port Arthur And Sends an Uncensored Description of the Attack by The Japanese Fleet.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE COLONIST.

London, Monday, Feb. 15.—The Daily Mail has just received the following uncensored details of the first battle of Port Arthur from their correspondent, who got out of the Russian lines:—

"Yeenhow (New Chwang), Wednesday Morning, Feb. 10.—I have just reached here by special train from Port Arthur, and to save time have written my account while traveling on a locomotive. There was no other method of getting out of Port Arthur or of transmitting a message of this length, as since the bombardment, on Tuesday, no vessels have been permitted to leave the harbor, and the railway telegraphs are reserved for the exclusive use of Russian officials. There were only four special correspondents present at the bombardment, Reuter's representative, two foreign correspondents and myself; unfortunately one of them was wounded.

"About midnight on Monday the town was roused by the firing of big guns. I hastened up the hill on which the main battery is situated, and saw that six Japanese torpedo boats had approached within half a mile of the Russian fleet, and were showing lights, funnels and signals just like those of the Russians.

"The Japanese torpedo boats crept quite close to the Russian ships. Before being discovered each of the Japanese boats discharged torpedoes, three of which took effect, striking the battleships Tsarevitch, Rethsvsan and the cruiser Pallada. The three damaged ships returned to the harbor entrance to avoid sinking.

"Notwithstanding the continuous fire from the ships and forts, four of the Japanese torpedo boats escaped; one, however, sunk and another, in a sinking condition, was deserted by her crew and afterwards captured by the Russians.

"I saw several Japanese cruisers in the distance. The remainder of the fleet was still farther off, lying eastward, showing searchlights. After the retiring of the Japanese torpedo boats, the Russian cruiser squadron, under Admiral Prince Moktompsky, followed to investigate, and then returned. The action ceased at 3 a. m. The loss on the Russian ships was eight killed and twenty wounded. Apart from the disablement of the three Russian ships, the damage done to the fleet and the fort is not very great. There are many Russian torpedo boat destroyers in the harbor, but they were not ready to resist an attack. The Japanese, in fact, created a great deal of surprise, not only by their unexpected onslaught, but by the promptness and bravery with which they acted.

"On Tuesday morning the news arrived from Dalny that the Japanese fleet was steering westward in attack formation. It came in sight about 11 o'clock. There were in all fifteen ships in two lines of battle, six battleships, six first-class cruisers and three second-class cruisers. The Russians had outside thirteen large vessels under Admiral Stark in the flagship Petropavlovpski, and Rear-Admiral Prince Moktompsky in the flagship Peresviet, excluding the Pallada, the Tsarevitch, the flagship of Rear-Admiral Mollas, and the Rethvisan, which were lying aground across the inner harbor entrance. It was low water.

"The action was commenced by the big guns of the land battery. The morning was dull with a light wind, and the heavy smoke rendered it difficult to observe the details of the action, but I witnessed all that was possible from Beacon Hill, opposite the entrance to the harbor, in the line of fire. Two shells fell near us and about twenty others fell in the old town and the western harbor, where many steamers flying neutral flags were anchored. After the commencement of the action all the people fled towards the hill outside the town and got under its protection.

"A little while after this the first shell, a big 12-inch one, exploded, smashing the office fronts of Guensberg's Yalu Concessions Company and the Russo-Chinese Bank. The streets were then entirely deserted, but the local police kept splendid order. There was no looting, and the women and children were very brave. Regiments from the adjoining barracks and camps came pouring through the town to take up defensive positions in the event of the Japanese landing.

"The Japanese warships steamed slowly past in line of battle to the westward and about four miles off, each vessel beginning to fire when opposite the Russian ships, which were two miles off shore. The action now became general. There was no manoeuvring, simply heavy, fast firing on both sides. I counted over 300 shells, a few of which reached the mark. Others did not explode during the action. Several merchant steamers outside in the roads moved their position, but none were allowed to leave their anchorage in the harbor.

"The firing ceased at noon, the Japanese ships withdrawing southward, having lost one battleship and one large cruiser put out of action. One small boat was chased and sunk by the Novik, which afterwards received a shell at the water line, but reached port all right, Admiral Stark signaling "Well done," while all the rest of the fleet cheered her arrival. Even the three ships aground fired during the action. Afterwards the Tszarevitch got off at high water and was towed into the large basin where she is now being repaired. The Pallada effected her own repairs and has rejoined the fleet. The Rethivsan was still aground when I left.

"The casualties were twenty-two killed, sixty-four wounded, nearly half the casualties occurred on the Pallada and Novik. The Japanese fleet sailed southward. At one o'clock all was quiet. The wounded were brought ashore and removed to the hospitals. After Monday night's action many Japanese torpedoes were found floating outside the harbor. They were secured and their mechanism extracted.

"During the afternoon Viceroy Alexieff ordered all women, children and non-combatants to leave. The slow, special trains were crowded, and ran as often as possible from Dalny. The women and children were immediately removed in an English steamer.

"After the action on Monday night official telegrams from Vladivostock stated that the cruiser squadron, consisting of the Gromovoi, Rossia, Rurik and Bogatyr, had shelled a town in Yezo and then returned to Vladivostock.

"I offered a large price for a launch or a tugboat to put to sea from Port Arthur for Chefoo, Chinwangtao or New Chwang, but was unsuccessful."

Wirings From Ottawa City

First Batch of New Rifles Completed and Will Be Issued Shortly.

Capital's Leading Citizens Pay High Compliment to Ex-Mayor Cook.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—Sir Charles Ross, of Quebec, is in the city today, and says the first batch of new rifles from his factory are completed. Shipments will be sent to the militia and Mounted Police departments.

A meeting of the city council and a representative delegation of citizens, headed by Sir Sandford Fleming, presented to the city corporation a portrait, in oil, of ex-Mayor Cook, painted by J. Colin Forbes. This was a spontaneous offering of the citizens of Ottawa to mark the resigning mayor's two years' successful term of office.

New regulations regarding the free entry of returned packages and coverings and of articles of Canadian growth, produce or manufacture, returned after exportation, have been issued by the department of customs.

Russians After Japs

Special to Colonist.

Wei Hai Wei, Saturday, Feb. 13.—Two Japanese battleships, four cruisers are cruising outside here. A German vessel, which was looking on, was chased.

Chefoo, Saturday, Feb. 13.—Four Russian battleships and three cruisers left Port Arthur yesterday in search for the Japanese squadron, which was reported south on Wednesday night and seen at a distance from Chefoo. The captain of a British steamer passed a German vessel, the Thetis, some way out from Wei Hai Wei, and saw her later take a course contrary to her former one and signal. The seven warships then turned back to Chefoo.

LIBERAL NOMINATED.

Welland, Ont., Feb. 15.—Monck Liberals have nominated F. A. Ross, Welland Port, as a candidate for the House of Commons.

PILLS KILL GIRLS.

Bracebridge, Ont., Feb. 15.—Two little girls, aged four and five, daughters of Samuel McMurray, of Vankoughnet, are dead from eating proprietary pills in the absence of their parents.

CAPE COLONY ELECTIONS.

Progressive Party Has Secured Majority of Five Over Africander Bund.

Cape Town, Feb. 15.—The parliamentary elections just held in Cape Colony have resulted in a Progressive majority of five over the Africander Bund. The final figures are Progressive 50, and Bund 45 members.

PREPARING FOR HOT TIME.

R. L. Borden Resting Preparatory to Opening of Parliament.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 15.—R. L. Borden, M. P., leader of the Dominion opposition, and Mrs. Borden, left here last night for Hot Springs, Virginia, where the leader will rest until the opening of parliament.

"SOONERS" FOR JAPAN.

American Volunteers for Mikado's Army Do Not Wait for Invitations.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—The Post says: "Sixty Chicagoans, many of them veterans of the Spanish-American war, it is said, will leave this week for Japan. Five former members of the Illinois National Guard and regular and volunteer armies of the United States leave tonight for the Pacific Coast ports where they will sail for the Orient. Owing to the neutrality proclamation of The Japanese themselves did not know ing their plans a secret, but intimate that the purpose is to join the Japanese forces."

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The Mobilizing Of Japan's Army

Three Hundred Thousand Soldiers at Bases Ready For Embarkation.

Task Carried Out With Great Precision and in Perfect Secrecy.

Nagasaki, Feb. 12, via Shanghai, Feb. 15.—The mobilization of the Japanese army has been carried out methodically. It is estimated that 300,000 troops are now ready to be placed in the field without impairing the national defence. The movements of the troops are surrounded in secrecy. They are being moved at night toward their bases at Sasebo, Korea, Mojui and Yokosuka, and the lights of ordinary trains are extinguished when in the neighborhood of troop trains.

Members of the reserve force immediately step into the places of the outgoing regulars. Their organization is perfect and a full equipment is ready for each of the reserves. All the steamers of Japanese merchant lines are being rapidly converted into auxiliary cruisers, armed with quick-firing guns and fitted with torpedo tubes. The government officials refuse to give out any information regarding their military intentions. They expect to profit by dissensions in the Russian council of state. It is believed that the extraordinary powers conferred on Viceroy Alexieff will lead to a clash between Foreign Minister Lamsdorff and General Kuropatkin, especially as the latter is unfriendly to Alexieff.

The result of a disagreement between these two Russian leaders here would end in a military muddle. The Japanese are confident that the Russians will be unable to concentrate and maintain 50,000 troops at any important point of military operations. There is much talk current in regard to the possible dynamiting of the Russian railway in Manchuria. Thousands of Japanese, who are practically undistinguishable from Chinese, are working in Manchuria, and would willing risk their lives to aid their country's cause. A large body of troops is due in Nagasaki Saturday to embark on transport for Korea. Nagasaki and Yokohama harbors are protected by mines. Several Russian merchant vessels have been captured and taken to Saseho as prizes. Nine transports for horses are at Moji.

Absolute reticence is maintained by the government. An intense war feeling prevails among all classes, although there is an apparent absence of excitement. Among the striking features of the situation are the strict censorship which is exercised over all cablegrams and the concealment of military and naval manoeuvres. It has been the government's policy to have the news of naval conflicts come as a complete surprise.

The Japanese themselve did not know the destination of the warships. The news of the Japanese successes has caused suppressed excitement and exaltation. The only demonstrations have been made by newsboys wearing bells, who are constantly scurrying through the city with "Extras," which are issued frequently by the papers. These are eagerly read and occasionally shouts of "Bansa," the Japanese hurrah, are heard on the streets.

A torchlight procession in honor of the Japanese triumphs was called for Wednesday evening at Nagasaki, where there is a large colony of Russians. When the Japanese began to assemble with lanterns, the police intervened and dispersed the crowd without the occurrence of disorder. The Russians in Japan are not terrified by the situation, but nevertheless acting on the advice of their consuls they have begun a general exodus.

The Russian East Asiatic line steamer Manchuria, recently captured by the Japanese, has arrived at Sasebo, near Nagasaki. The steamer Manchuria sailed from Copenhagen November 20th for Port Arthur and Vladivostock.

Russian Barbarity

Special to Colonist.

Hakodate, Saturday, Feb. 13.—Intense indignation is felt at the action of four Russian cruisers in sinking the little steamer Nakinour Maru. The latter had stopped and hauled down her flag and all her crew and passengers, had gone below, but the Russian ships surrounded her and kept firing, and finally fired a torpedo into her, sinking her. No attempt was made to rescue her crew or passengers, who numbered thirty-three.

PRINTER IN TROUBLE.

Collects Twice for Civic Printing and is Charged With Conspiracy.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 15.—Warrants have been issued for the arrest of ex-City Comptroller Leo E. Caro and Eber Rice, of the West Michigan Printing Company, charging false pretences and conspiracy. It is charged that Rice, who has done the city printing for several years, has duplicated his bills and collected $657 more than was due, and that this was made possible through the help of the ex-city comptroller. Rice says the overcharge was due to defective bookkeeping. Rice and Caro entered pleas of not guilty in the Police Court this afternoon and were released on bail.

20,000 Japs Land at Chemulpo

Washington, Feb. 15.—Information has reached here that 20,000 Japanese troops were landed at Chemulpo yesterday, the first division of a large number which will be thrown into Korea while the Russian fleet is bottled up in Port Arthur. By one conversant with the Japanese plans it is stated that the reported attacks on Port Arthur are not true, for it is not the intention of seizing that place at present unless an unexpected weakness in the fortifications there should develop. They are a part of a plan to harass the Russian fleet until Korea can be occupied. The taking of Port Arthur will form the second number of the war programme. First, however, it is learned that the Japanese propose to cut the line of communication well up on the road running from New Chwang to Port Arthur. It is said a large Japanese force will land at New Chwang shortly for the purpose. The navy department denies positively that any American naval officers were aboard the Japanese ships in the fighting at Port Arthur. It is said that the United States government requested permission of both Russian and Japanese to place an American naval officer with each of the fleets and military officers with the armies in the capacity of observers, but neither powers have agreed to it. Mr. Takashira, the Japanese minister, called upon Secretary Hay today and it is understood that the reported detention of about 100 Japanese soldiers in Port Arthur was under discussion. Until the facts are known the state department is inclined to go slow in making representations to Russia. It is bound to do so, however, if Japan formally requests it. International law gives military commanders large discretion in such cases,

Seoul, Wednesday, Feb. 10.—(Delayed in Transmission.)—The Russian consul at Chemulpo is now guarded by Japanese troops. Today all the other Russians in the city were ordered into one large house, where they will be detained awaiting the action of the authorities as to their disposal.

The Russian minister at Seoul has been requested by the Japanese minister, through a neutral legation, to withdraw, and has consented to do so. He will probably leave Seoul tomorrow.

There are now on board the French cruiser Pascal 214 Russians, of whom two commanders, 14 officers and 31 men are wounded. Six wounded men have already died.

Captain Rudenf, who was in command of the cruiser Variag, is not seriously wounded.

The Russian dead, with the exception of a young officer, who fell on the bridge, were locked up in the cabin when the Variag went down. The passengers and crew of the Sungarie have been taken on board the Pascal. The Korean telegraph lines have been cut in all directions.

Several men were seen on board the Korutz an instant before she blew up. The commissioner of customs at Chemulpo has protested against an alleged breach of neutrality on the part of the Japanese. The Russians claim that the Japanese fired first, despatching two torpedoes at the Korutz when she tried to leave the harbor on the 10th. The Japanese claim, in turn, that the Korutz fired first.

There is no news of the arrival of any more Russian troops in Korean territory, and Seoul remains quiet.

The Japanese have demanded the use of several government buildings in this city to be used as barracks for troops.

On board the English and Italian cruisers are a number of Russian refugees; just how many is not known. Only the wounded are on the British vessel.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.—Major-General Pfulg, Viceroy Alexieff's chief of staff, telegraphs that the situation at Port Arthur yesterday was unchanged.

Reports from Yin Kau, near New Chwang, he continues, declare the Japanese are preparing to land at Tsin Jenda. A message from the frontier guard says that mounted patrols, believed to be Japanese, were seen yesterday in the vicinity of Hsin Min Ting, northwest of Mukden.

No Japanese battleships have been seen in the roadstead at Tatung Kau, at the mouth of the Yalu river.

A despatch has been received here from Alexieff, dated February 15, saying: "Captain Reitzenstein, commander of the Russian cruiser Rivision, telegraphs that his division destroyed a steamer in Sangari Strait.

"A violent storm, accompanied by heavy snow, has been raging for three days, and nine degrees of frost have been registered. The enemy has not been encountered."

The squadron referred to is probably the Vladivostock division. Stories have been current that these ships sank several Japanese transports, and an official report from Tokio said that two Japanese merchant steamers were shelled by four Russian cruisers, one of the merchantmen being sunk.

It has also been reported from Yokohama that the Russian Vladivostock squadron sunk the Japanese merchant steamship Akouri Maru off the Island of Yezo, on Friday, the 11th.

Possible Complications

New York, Feb. 15.—One of the most serious bits of news at the moment says a St. Petersburg correspondent of the Herald is the confirmation of the statement that aboard the Japanese vessels of war attacking Port Arthur were a number of American naval officials. This caused something akin to a feeling of consternation among the Russian officers.

Sink Their Own Boats

Chefoo, Feb. 15.—A reliable report says that three Russian torpedo boats have been sunk by guns from the forts at Port Arthur. They were mistaken for Japanese vessels.

EMPEROR WILLIAMS HEALTH.

Berlin, Feb. 15.—The rumors circulated regarding the alleged illness of Emperor William are absolutely unfounded. His Majesty went out walking this morning, visited Chancellor Von Buelow and transacted the usual state business.

ARRIVALS FROM JAPAN.

Subordinate Officers of Nippon Lines Lose Their Jobs.

San Francisco, Feb. 15.—George Morgan, a nephew of J. Pierpont Morgan, has just arrived from the Orient on the steamer China. He is accompanied by his wife, a Japanese lady. Mr. Morgan, who has lived in Japan for five years, was married at Yokohama on January 21st. He and his wife are enroute for New York.

Among the passengers on the steamer China, which arrived from the Orient yesterday were the subordinate officers of the Toyo Kisin Kaisha steamers Nippon Maru and Hongkong Maru. They were all deprived of their positions by the action of the Japanese government in pressing the steamers into war service. In the report that the Hongkong Maru is now known as the Hongkong Maru Kan and the Nippon Maru as the Nippon Maru Kan, the addition to the names signifying that they are men-of-war.

London Is Still Guessing

Conflicting Reports From Far East Throw Little Light on Matters.

Tokio Has Not Received Detailed Account of Battle at Port Arthur.

London, Feb. 16.—The despatches from the Far East contain numerous uncontirmed and conflicting rumors, among them a report of another engagement at Port Arthur in which the Russians lost eight vessels sunk and ten captured.

A correspondent of the Daily Mail who witnessed the engagement off Port Arthur, confirms previous accounts of the fight and asserts again that one Japanese torpedo boat was sunk and another deserted by its crew in a sinking condition. It was subsequently captured by the Russians.

He says also that the Japanese lost one battleship and had one cruiser put out of action, and the colonel of the Fifth Russian regiment was killed by a shell during the bombardment.

Cablegrams to the Daily Mail from Wei-Hai-Wei and New Chwang report a Japanese fleet, with transports, cruising in the Gulf of Pechili, apparently with the idea of effecting a landing near Port Dalny.

In connection with the rumors of another bombardment of Port Arthur, the owners of the British steamer Foxton Hall, which was detained by the Russians at Port Arthur, have received news that she has been destroyed by fire.

In a despatch from Tokio dated February 12th a correspondent of the Times says that the Russian Vladivostock squadron is still in the eastward of Tsguru Strait, the eastern exit being guarded by torpedoes.

Tokio, Feb. 15.—The Japanese minister at Washington has officially advised his government that he is receiving offers of large contributions to the war fund from Americans, and requests instructions. It is considered probable that Japan will refuse to accept this aid.

The cabinet will consider the question and formally instruct the minister shortly.

Many applications fer permission to enlist in the Japanese army and navy are coming from various parts of the world. All these applications have been refused, and no foreigners will be allowed to participate in the military or naval operations of Japan except as spectators.

At a meeting of newspaper men and commercial men today it was resolved to support the government irrespective of party lines. Those present at the meeting approved the proposed plan of curtailing the domestic administration expenses and applying this amount thus saved to the war fund. A plan will be devised for the relief of disabled soldiers and sailors. The meeting also agreed to send a letter of congratulation to Vice Admiral Togo.

A detailed report of his battle at Port Arthur has not been received from Vice Admiral Togo by the Navy department and the public is as yet without the full particulars of the engagement. A letter from one of the men who participated in the naval fight says that the torpedo attack succeded through a clever feint. The majority of the torpedo vessels manoeuvred in front of the Russian line and held its attention while the rest worked around to the rear and got close to the enemy before being discovered, when they fired their destructive missiles and got out of range.

No further news of the Russian Vladivostock fleet has been received here. It is thought to have returned to the port of Vladivostock in preference to risking a fight or exhausting its fuel.

Enormous military activity continues, but the government carefully conceals its plans. Every moment of delay helps the Russians to become better prepared for a conflict. The Japanese apparently are unconcerned. They fully realize that the limited capacity of the Trans-Siberian railway, the distance of the Russians from their base of supplies and lack of communication by sea sets limitations on the proposed accomplishments of Russia in Manchuria. They feel that no danger attaches in that quarter and are awaiting the completion of Japan's naval programme.

Marquis Ito today gave the Associated Press a written expression of his sentiments towards the American people, as follows: "It is with profound satisfaction that I see so many symptoms of spontaneous sympathy with which the peace-loving people of your great nation seem to watch the present crisis. In my opinion, it was evident that Russia's high-handed expansion towards the hegemony of the East, combined with her recent strenuous military efforts heretofore, has been becoming a daily menace to our future safety and peaceful existence. Either to enter into cordial and durable understanding with her, clearly defining and mutually recognizing the respective spheres of interests and binding her thereby to a certain amount of self-restraint in the future, or else to have recourse to measures for safeguarding our future independence, ere it was too late, was the drastic dilemma from which we could no longer escape. We have tried our best to obtain our object by the first alternative, and we have sacrificed much energy, time and many oportunities for the sake of peace. Having failed, however, there remains no other way for us but to stand up in defence of our future safety and our own future undisturbed enjoyment of the fruits of peace and civilization. No trace of race prejudices, no smack of revenge, of Chauvinism, nothing but the cool reason of state, necessary and self-preservation influenced Japans' action."

Washington, Feb. 15.—What the Russians have accomplished at Harbin, the great inland metropolis of Manchuria, is told in a report to the American state department by Mr. Miller, the American consul at New Chwang. According to Mr. Miller, Harbin is destined soon to become the commercial centre of Manchuria. The vicinity abounds in minerals, timber and large areas of grazing lands. Of the administration Mr. Millers: "It is as distinctly a Russian city as though it were located in the heart of Russia, and none but Russians and Chinese are permitted to own land, construct buildings or engage in any permanent enterprise. The city has been created by the Russian government under the management of the Machuria Railway Company. The lands for many miles in each direction have been secured against foreigners, who are not recognized as having any rights whatever, but are permitted there merely in sufferance.

"With a population in 1901 of 12,000 Harbin last year had a population of 60,000. There are no Americans there. the city has elegant administration buildings, schools, hospitals and banks, etc. Nothing is found there from the United States, and one is not seriously impressed with the statement that under Russian occupation American exports to Manchuria will increase.

Chinese Unrest

Special to Colonist.

New Chwang, Friday, Feb. 12.—Great unrest prevails along the Chinese railway and an attack is being planned. All the Chinese regular troops were removed yesterday to the southward around Pekin. Another coup de etat is being planned as a protest by the reform party against the Chinese government's inactivity and refusal to assist the Japanese. It is learned from undoubted Chinese sources that a fleet of Japanese transports is in the Gulf of Pechili, waiting to land somewhere between Dalny and Kinchow bay.

THE DUKE OF NORFOLK.

London, Feb. 15.—The Duke of Norfolk was married to the Hon. Gwendolen Mary Constable Maxwell, eldest daughter of Lord Herries, this morning in the Roman Catholic Church in Evingham. The ceremony, which for various, causes, had four times been postponed, was very quiet, the only guests being near relatives, the tenantry of the Duke and a few personal friends of the family.

Report Denied

Special to Colonist.

Pekin, Feb. 15.—The reports of Japanese landings near Port Arthur and Shan Hai Kwan are unfounded. They were issued by the Russians apparently to stimulate popular enthusiasm. The Russian strength in the Far East is now estimated at 176,000, of which about 20,000 are in Liao Tung peninsula.

From Port Arthur

Special to Colonist.

Tokio, Saturday, Feb. 13.—The transport Genkai Maru has arrived at Sasebo with the dead and wounded from the Port Arthur engagement. Five were killed, including three officers, thirty-two injured, including seven officers. The Japanese warships damaged at Port Arthur are also back at Sasebo repairing. They will soon be avadable again.

DOUBLE-HEADER WRECKED.

One Engine in the Ditch and Seven Cars Off the Track at Holmfield.

Holmfield, Man., Feb. 15.—(Special)—This morning's train, a double-header, was wrecked five miles west of here. One man was slightly injured. One engine is in the ditch and seven cars are off the rails.

SCHOONER IN DISTRESS.

After Week in Ice Floes, Sets Sail and Runs on Reefs.

Nantucket, Mass., Feb. 15.—The little Nova Scotia schooner Scotia Queen, whose captain refused to leave yesterday after she had drifted about Nantucket Sound at the mercy of the ice floes for nearly a week, brought up on the dreaded Tuckernuck shoal at sundown, and tonight was pounding heavily and in imminent danger of going to pieces with the loss of five on board. The life-savers, owing to the heavy sea, were unable either to get a boat to the vessel or to reach her with the life line tonight. They watched the vessel in the hope that the storm might subside and the crew be rescued. The Scotia Queen was bound from River Herbert, N. S., for New York with lumber. She was warned this morning not to proceed, but hoisted sail, with the result that she grounded.

QUEBEC'S NEW MAYOR.

Quebec, Feb. 15.—The municipal elections here today resulted in a complete victory for Mayor Parent and his friends. The Reform party only elected two out of thirty candidates.

OVERCOME BY STORM.

Winnipeg, Feb. 15.—The body of a well-dressed young man was found three miles out of Brandon today entangled in a wire fence. He had apparently lost his way in a snowstorm.

GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Montreal, Feb. 15.—The coroner's jury today in the inquest on the bodies of those who perished in the fire Saturday afternoon on Notre Dame street, brought in a verdict holding the owners of the building, Christian Brothers, of Kingston, Ontario, criminally responsible in that they had failed to provide fire escapes as according to city bylaw. One of the jurymen refused to sign. It is now up to the crown attorney to arrest the head of the order at Kingston on the criminal charge.

RUSSIA MADE A LAME EXCUSE

Occupation of Manchuria Subject of a Blue Book Just Issued.

London, Feb. 15.—A lengthy parliamentary paper issued today contains the correspondence regarding the Russian occupation of Manchuria, covering the period from July, 1900, to January 8, 1904.

On the latter date Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador to Great Britain communicated to Foreign Secretary Landsowne a formal declaration that Russia would not interfere with the existing treaty rights of the powers.

Lord Lansdowne expressed satisfaction with these assurances, but he expressed his regret that Russia should have found it impossible to take even a single step in pursuance of a policy which she thus prescribed for herself, and said the people of England were looking for some evidence of Russia's intention to fulfil her promises. For example the announcement that New Chwang would be evacuated at an early date would have a reassuring effect, and Lord Lansdowne was not aware of any local difficulty in the way of this move.

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Morley's Motion Is Negatived

Confidence in Premier Balfour is Voted By a Good Majority.

Division Does Not Represent Feeling of the House on Fiscal Policy.

London, Feb. 16.—By a vote of 327 to 276 the House of Commons tonight defeated John Morley's amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne censuring the government's fiscal policy. The division took the form of a vote of want of confidence in the government, which impelled many Unionists who totally disagree with the idea of protection to vote to keep Premier Balfour in power. While Mr. Balfour's absence was keenly felt, it was perhaps a source of strength to his party, as without a declaration from the premier, many of his supporters felt justified in upholding the government. Joseph Chamberlain also was absent. A general election is expected in the autumn.

John Redmond, the Irish leader, said the Irish party voted against the government solely to forward the cause of home rule. He added the same action would be taken against every government until home rule is secured.

Neither the speeches tonight nor the division can be taken as an accurate indication of the probable trend of the British opinion on the fiscal question.

In the lobbies of the House of Commons it was frankly admitted that votes were given to the government which may be counted on the opposite side when a general election on the basis of free trade vs. protection occurs.

A large crowd heard the debate.

Scarcely a member of the House who voted with the government tonight did not frankly admit his ignorance of the degree of fiscal reform to which the cabinet is really committed. The hopeless division of opinion among members has been a feature of the discussion.

LEVANTING CASHIER SURRENDERS.

Gallatin, Mo., Feb. 15.—Leo Deford, cashier of the Bank of Alta, Mont., which failed last month, following his disappearance when a warrant for his arrest charging him with using $20,000 of the bank's funds was issued, surrendered here today.

FATAL FAMILY QUARREL.

Husband Kills Wife, Shoots Stepson and Then Suicides.

New York, Feb. 15.—Frank Bartrenk shot and killed his wife Rosie at his home here today, shot and seriously wounded his stepson, Vincent Horonick, and then committed suicide by shooting himself. The murderer had had trouble with his wife and through a court order she was to leave the house. She had returned today for some effects when the triple crime was committed.

AGRARIAN OUTRAGES.

Barns Burned in Ontario by Incendarism and Much Damage Done.

Dundalk, Ont., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—A couple of weeks ago Henry Laburn's barn at Riverview was burned down, entailing a loss of five thousand dollars. A week ago a sheep pen built against Lewis' fine barn was discovered to be on fire, and the barn narrowly escaped destruction. Labiun had five pigs in his neighbor's sheep pen, and all were burned except one. Seven sheep belonging to Lewis also were burned. An attempt was also made to burn the barn belonging to Mr. Vance, but proved to be unsuccessful.

MARK A. HANNA
FROM HIS MOST RECENT PHOTOGRAPH

Washington, Feb. 15.—Marcus A. Hanna, United States Senator from Ohio, and one of the foremost figures in American public life, died this evening in his apartments at the Arlington hotel, at 6:40 p. m., of typhoid fever, after an illness of two weeks. He passed away peacefully and without pain after being unconscious since 3 a. m., at which time the first of a series of sinking spells came on, from the last of which he never rallied.

All the members of the family, with one or two exceptions, were at the bedside when the end came.

Senator Hanna's death followed a sinking spell that lasted ten minutes, beginning at 6:30.

Senator Hanna will be given a public funeral in the Senate chamber at noon Wednesday, and probably lie in state at the capitol. Funeral services will also be held in Cleveland Friday.

LORD ROBERTS SENDS RESIGNATION

Retires From the War Office and is Succeeded By Connaught.

London, Feb. 15.—It is officially announced that Lord Roberts has retired from the War Office, but, at the special request of Premier Balfour, he has consented to place his services at the disposal of the committee for imperial defence.

The Duke of Connaught has been appointed inspector-general under the new army reform scheme.

If you are losing appetite, lying awake nights, take Hood's Sarsaparilla—it's just the tonic you need.

GRAIN SHIPMENTS WILL NOW CONTINUE

The C. P. R. Liner Will Carry All Cereals Offering to Japan.

From our own correspondent.

Vancouver, Feb. 15.—Orders were received from Montreal by the agents of the steamship company to accept all shipments of grain for Japan. Thus the previous order to refuse grain is cancelled. C. P. R. officials say all grain will be carried until the Japanese ports are blockaded by Russia.

Russian agents are buying barley and on the Sound and are coming to British Columbia to get hold of all they can here for shipment to Vladivostock.

It is announced today that three piers are to be built here just east of Gore avenue. One 150 by 140, another 150 by 60 and a third 150 by 60. One pier will be built by the C. P. R. for the New England Fish Company, contractors, Ironside, Rannie & Campbell. Another by Brown & Howe, flour and feed merchants, and the third by the Vancouver Ice & Cold Storage Company. The contractor for the last two is Capt. C. H. Gates.

The steamer Hamlin was sold by the Admiralty court today for $2,200 to H. A. Jones, which was the amount of the wage claims against it. The Hamlin ran between Chilliwack and Vancouver, and did not pay.

"You say that when she married she got a title?" asked the sweet thing.

"Yes," answered the most unpopular girl in the neighborhood.

"Countess, Duchess, or what?"

"Mrs."

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Ladies' Smart Tailor-made Homespun and Serge Costumes in sizes 32, 36 and 40 only, regular values $12.50 to $16.25 a suit. Our Rummage Sale Price .. $5.00

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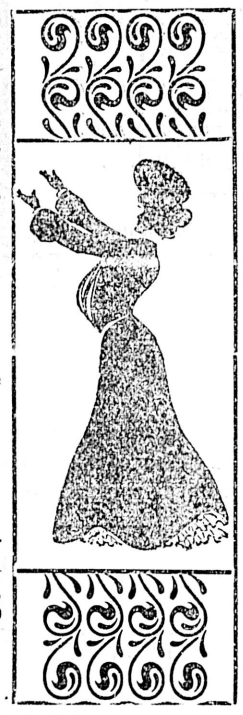

Ladies' Three-Quarter Jackets

Ladies' Three-Quarter Jackets, stylishly cut in light and dark shades; also Black, sizes 32, 34 and 36 only, regular values were $7.00 to $12.50 each. Our Rummage Sale Price $4.25

Three-Quarter Style Jackets for Ladies, in Black and Colored Cloths, sizes 32, 34, 36 and 38, regular values were $15.00 to $21.00 each. Our Rummage Sale Price $7.00

Ladies' High Class Three-Quarter Jackets, made in the finest cloths in both Black and Colored, sizes 34, 36 and 38 only, regular values were $24.00 to $27.00 each. Our Rummage Sale Price..... $8.35

$20.00 Tailor-made Skirts for $10.00

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BORN.

BYERS—At Nelson, on February 7th, the wife of Hamilton Byers, of a son.

SCHULTZ—At Nelson, on February 8th, the wife of J. Schultz, of a son.

ALEXANDER—At Vancouver, on February 10th, the wife of H. O. Alexander, of a son.

GENEST—At Nelson, on February 8th, the wife of H. Genest, of a son.

MARRIED.

COLLINSON—WILSON—At Vancouver, on February 11th, by Rev. R. J. Wilson, Frederick A. Collinson and Miss Elizabeth Wilson.

GOODRICH—ALLEN—At Vancouver, on February 11th, by Rev. C. H. Sutherland, Arthur Goodrich and Miss Lizzie Allen.

CAMERON—McALMON — At Nelson, on February 8th, by Rev. E. H. H. Holman, James L. Cameron and Miss Sarah E. McAlmon.

BOND—SKILLICOM—At New Westminster, on February 7th, by Rev. Father O'Neill, I. N. Bond and Mrs. Margaret Skillicom.

DIED.

WISE—On February 15th, at his residence, 7 Dallas road, Captain Francis (Frank) W. Wise, a native of Boston, Mass., aged 63 years and 8 months.

Funeral at 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday, from above residence.

Friends kindly invited.

San Francisco papers please copy.

HALLITT—At the family residence, No. 12 Market street, on February 13th, Ann Hallitt, relict of the late Eli Hallitt, aged 50 years.

The funeral will take place today at 2:30 p. m., from the residence.

HOLMES—At Vancouver, on February 12th, Mrs. S. H. Holmes, aged 65 years.

SPENCER—At Kamloops, on February 12th Margaret Spencer, aged 85 years.

HUMPHREY—At Fairfield Ranch, near Kamloops, on February 11th, James Humphrey, aged 75 years.

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Tees Under Disinfection

Steamer Was Pulled Off Rocks Early on Sunday Morning.

Towed to William Head Immediately For Fumigation.

Steamer Tees came off the rocks of Trial Island at full tide on Sunday morning between 3 and 4 o'clock, as the result of a mighty pull exerted by the tugs Lorne and Pioneer, and the steamer Princess Beatrice. The stranded vessel was helped off by means of skids under the forefoot and some way down the keel, where it was possible to get them at low tide. The crew, under direction of Captain Troup, did excellent work in preparing the vessel for the final haul, and it was considered to be largely due to their efforts that success so quickly attended the attempt to float the steamer. Everything that could be shifted from the fore part of the ship was moved aft or taken out. At first the Tees resisted the combined pull of the three steamers, but the Lorne swinging off to starboard until almost at right angles to the Tees, gave the necessary heave, and the Tees slid quickly into the sea and floated. So far as can be learned, the outer hull alone is damaged, the rocks failing to reach or pierce the inner hull. The Tees had taken no water in spite of her perilous experiences. She was towed to William Heed at once for fumigation. The process was completed last night, every part of the ship having been filled with the fumes of formaldehyde and burning sulphur. This morning the Tees will be towed to Esquimalt, where she will go upon the ways for examination and repairs.

When the steamer Amur arrived from the North yesterday morning it was ascertained that the passenger put ashore at Port Simpson on the Tees' outward trip, was suffering from smallpox, though in a very mild type. Dr. Kergin, resident physician at Port Simpson, and Mr. Flewin, government agent, immediately had the passenger, Mrs. White, wife of a clergyman, placed in a tent isolated from all dwellings in the place. She is reported to be recovering rapidly from the attack. Mrs. White and her husband are from Seattle, and developed the disease one day out on the Tees from Vancouver. No passengers were allowed to land when the doctor at Port Simpson declared the disease smallpox, and the steamer returned for William Head immediately.

Dr. Fagan, provincial officer of health, has taken active steps to have a watch on all passengers who landed from the Tees on her northbound trip. The medical men at Port Essington and Bella Bella have been communicated with to that effect. All the passengers, officers and crew of the Tees will remain at William Head fourteen days or longer if necessary, according to regulations.

So far it has been impossible to ascertain with definiteness the exact cause of the Tees striking Trial Island. It is alleged that an unlucky alteration of the course just at the critical moment did the damage. Second Officer Powell, it is learned, was acting in the pilot house, as stated in the Colonist on Sunday morning. An official investigation into all the circumstances will be held at the earliest possible moment. Latest advices regarding the damage done to the steamer's hull are to the effect that she had a marvelous escape, considering the fact that the stranding took place when she was running pretty nearly full speed, and that the whole coast line of the island on the east side is full of jagged rocks and reefs. The Tees ran, by happy accident, upon a shelving rock, between two dangerous looking spikes of rock. Her forefoot and fore bilge are badly twisted and dented, but there are no holes of considerable size. Her owners have been congratulated upon the fortunate issue of what shaped at first as a very bad piece of business.

PUEBLA'S TERRIBLE TRIP.

From Flattery to Golden Gate High Seas Pounded Her.

After battling for eighty-three hours with one of the heaviest gales ever experienced on this coast, the steamer City of Puebla, Captain Jepsen, arrived today from Victoria, says the San Francisco Examiner. The vessel was twenty-four hours behind her scheduled time, and bore the marks of her terrific tussle with the storm. The City of Puebla left Victoria with 125 cabin passengers on board. Off Cape Flattery the storm was encountered and clung to the steamer until port was reached. The wind came from the southeast at a velocity of eighty-six miles an hour. The seas time after time, smashed over the bow, sending a flood of foaming water sweeping along the decks. For fourteen hours the steamer was hove to, and the remainder of the time went ahead under a slow bell. At times the waves dashed over the bridge drenching the officers to the skin. All the passengers remained in their cabin, terrified by the flood that surged aboard. Several staterooms were flooded and the water poured into the saloon. The Peubla not only took seas over her bow, but in rising on the crest of the waves the stern at times was completely submerged. The after companionway was smashed and part of the after-gingerbread work was torn away. The forward railing was slightly damaged. The officers of the steamer say that the storm was the severest of this season. The passengers of the Puebla were high in their praise of Captain Jepsen for the masterly way in which he handled his vessel during the gale.

MARINE NOTES.

H. M. S. Egeria, now undergoing a thorough overhaul, will be put on the marine ways as soon as possible, to complete the work. This will be the first occasion at Esquimalt of a vessel of the Royal Navy going upon the marine railway.

Steamer Amur arrived in port from the North yesterday morning at 8 o'clock. She had only two passengers for this port, but brought ten for Vancouver. Those for Victoria were Messrs A. Morris, of the firm of John Piercy & Co., and Charles Wilson. The weather in the North has been cold and stormy. At Port Simpson the officers of the Amur learned of the case of smallpox landed from the Tees, and brought down the communication of the medical authority there as to the facts of the case.

While the Tees is undergoing repairs the Danube will take her place on the Northern run.

It is reported that Captain Roberts of the ill-fated Clallam, will spend a considerable time in California. He has left for the south.

From all accounts the present year is going to be one of the busiest in the local shipbuilding line ever known in Victoria. Several sailing craft of considerable dimensions are already being discussed.

Shipping men in Victoria, Vancouver and on the Sound expect that the close of the war between Japan and Russia will see the opening of the greatest commercial boom in the history of the Pacific Ocean. Already some of the leading traders of the Coast have prepared plans for the coming opening up of China, Japan, and possibly the Pacific coast of Russia—if there is to be any Pacific coast to Russia after the war.

DEPORTING CHINESE.

Buffalo, Feb. 15.—Seven Chinamen smuggled into the United States in December last were ordered deported to Canada. There were eleven Chinamen in the party, but, by accident, the vehicle in which they were riding was thrown into the Erie canal and two were drowned and two others were never heard of afterwards.

Report From Hakodate

Paris, Feb. 16.—A despatch to the Eclair from St. Petersburg says it is affirmed there that after the bombardment of Hakodate (which has not been officially confirmed) the four Russian cruisers which took part in the engagment, were driven back to Vladivostock by a storm.

Organ Opening.—Last evening at the Calvary Baptist church, Mr. G. Jennings Burnett gave an organ recital, assisted by Messrs. Grant and Waddington. The occasion was the opening of the Karn organ recently purchased for the church by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Vichert. The special feature of the organ, which is a handsomely cased instrument, is the placing of the resonating pipes above the reeds, which gives it a full quality of tone for congregational use. The following was the programme: Organ, "Pilgrim's Chorus, "March of the Priests," Largo Offertoire, "Consolation," "March Eli" and the "Wedding March." Mr. Grant sang "Beyond the Gates of Paradise" and "The Palms," and Mr. Waddington "It Is Enough" from "The Elijah" and "Rock of Ages," by W. H. Jude. There was a good attendance and the recital was much appreciated.

Cheap Excursions.—During the coming summer special rates will be granted by the transcontinental lines for the following gatherings to be held in Eastern cities: National encampment of the Knights of Pythias at Louisville in August; Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine at Atlantic City, July 13-15; general assembly of the Presbyterian church at Buffalo, N. Y., May 18 to June 2; Baptist Young People's Union of America, Detroit, Mich., July 7-10; national prohibition convention, Indianapolis, June 29-30; Elks, Cincinnati, Ohio, in July. In addition to these national gatherings there will be meetings of the Eagles, Christian Endeavor, National Educational Association and other prominent societies, for which special rates will be granted.

Captain Wise Passed to Rest

Well Known and Respected Pacific Commander Summoned Aloft.

Interesting Story of a Long and Honorable Sea Service During Life.

Universal regret was expressed yesterday at the news of the death of Captain Francis W. Wise, which took place at his home, No. 7 Dallas road, early in the day. Captain Wise was one of the best known and most highly respected mariners on the Pacific coast, and was known from California to Alaska, as well as on the Atlantic seaboard and in the South Pacific islands. He had been suffering for some time back from a dropsical complaint, complicated with heart trouble and a short tour of California last year was taken in the hope that it would afford relief. Last December, however, the old symptoms recurred, and from that time up to the day of his death he grew steadily worse.

Captain Wise was born at Boston, Massachusetts, on May 31st, 1840. When about twenty-one years of age he adopted the sea as a profession, making several voyages between Boston and Honolulu. Afterwards he took up his residence on the Pacific coast, coming from the Eastern States in the missionary ship Morning Star. Later he took service with Halliday's line to run north from San Francisco on the Idaho and the ill-fated Pacific.

He was first officer of the Oriflamme when that vessel carried troops from Steilacoom, Wash., to establish the power of the United States at Fort Tongas, at Wrangel, Alaska, in 1868.

Returning to San Francisco, he entered the service of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company as an officer of the steamship China on the China coast. He soon rose to the command of the steamships New York and Golden Gate. He served in the Orient for seven years, until the Pacific Mail Company sold their steamers there to the Japanese.

Returning once more to San Francisco, he obtained command of the company's steamer Salvador, on the Panama route, and subsequently of various other steamers of the same company, until in 1886, he was appointed by Messrs. R. P. Rithet & Co. to take charge of the shipping at the ocean docks, Victoria. His ability and experience well fitted him for this responsible post, and his cordial, sailorlike manner, kind and courteous to all, from highest to humblest, won him the hearty esteem of all with whom he came in contact. By none was he thought more of than by the agents, captains and officers of the various lines of vessels which had business to transact at the outer wharf.

By Messrs. Rithet & Co. Captain Wise was held in high regard, and they frequently took occasion to mark their warm appreciation of his valued services. He was every inch a sailor, and he had a most lovable character. By his hosts of friends here and in California, Captain Wise will be sadly missed. He leaves a widow, one daughter and a son, who gives abundant promise of being able to follow in the footsteps of his worthy father.

The funeral is to take place at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the family residence, Dallas road.

SUFFERED FOR THREE YEARS.

HEADACHES AND RUSHING OF BLOOD TO THE HEAD.

APPETITE WAS GONE.

TRIED MANY DIFFERENT REMEDIES BUT

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS

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She says: "I suffered for three years with terrible headaches and rushing of blood to my head. I lost my appetite and became very thin and weak. I tried many different remedies and consulted doctors, but all in vain until I started to use Burdock Blood Bitters. I had not taken more than two bottles when I began to feel better, my appetite improved wonderfully, and I increased rapidly in weight. I took altogether four bottles and am now as well as can be, for which I owe my thanks to Burdock Blood Bitters. I can recommend it to all those suffering as I did."

Fancy Vests and House Coats, Overcoats and Raincoats, Half Price for Cash

B. Williams & Co.

Will Beautify Bastion Square

City Council Decides to Accept Generous Offer of Mr. Percy Wollaston Jr.

Little Other Important Business Was Transacted at Last Night's Meeting.

Yesterday evening's meeting of the City Council was a brief and uninteresting one, the few important matters touched upon being laid over to an adjourned meeting which is to be held this evening at 8 o'clock. A decision was reached to enter into an arrangement with Percy Wollaston, Jr., whereby the curbed plots in Bastion Square will be fenced and adorned with flowering plants.

Mayor Barnard presided, looking none the worse for his recent forced relinquishment of the reins of office. The Aldermen applauded loudly when the returning officer's declaration of his re-election by acclamation was read.

All the Aldermen were present.

The Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries, re application for extension of harbor lot by J. S. Helmcken, said the government had no objection to the same.

The Deputy Provincial Secretary acknowledged receipt of resolution endorsing the project to extend a line of railway to north end of the Island.

The secretary of the Tourist Association suggested that the city use paper with illustrations advertising Victoria. Referred to finance committee.

F. W. Van Sant, superintendent of the Victoria Terminal railway, wrote regarding the cost of a drain. Referred to the city engineer.

John Haggerty and William Colston offered to supply filling in for James Bay roadway in 5,000 yards quantity for 40c. a yard. Laid on the table.

The city clerk wrote reporting having referred a number of minor communications to the city engineer for report.

The city solicitor reported having arranged for the purchase of certain sand lots at Spring Ridge for the sum of $2,000. Laid on the table.

The market superintendent reported the receipts for the past three months to be $144.05. Received and filed.

W. Symonds, re the gravel for James Bay abutment, offered to deliver gravel, and asked for a portion of the hauling. Received and filed, the contract having already been let.

Residents of Churchway asked for the extension of the sewer along that thoroughfare. Referred to the city engineer for report to streets committee.

Residents of third street asked for an electric light. Referred to electric light committee.

C. H. Lugrin complained of lack of drainage facilities on Gorge road, which was endorsed by adjacent residents. Referred, on motion of Ald Grahame, to city engineer, he to do work at once if cost does not exceed $25.

Martha A. Shepherd complained of obnoxious rose bushes on corner of Young and Toronto streets. Referred to engineer for report.

The council then proceeded to ballot for a caretaker for the Ross Bay Cemetery. Henry Bronson was elected on the first ballot.

A special committee re the purchase of lot 47 at Spring Ridge, reported being unable to obtain right of way to property, and recommended getting temporary right-of-way over lot 49; further recommended that proper agreements be drawn up for acquiring property. Laid on the table.

The Finance committee reported as follows:

1. Re communication from the secretary of Victoria City Kennel Club, asking the council to devote the sum of $100 towards defraying the cost of holding the next annual dog show of the club in Victoria in April next: recommended that the sum of $50, being the same as last year, be appropriated for this purpose.

2. Re communication from Mr. P. Wollaston, Jr., submitting a proposal in regard to the utilization of the two acres in Bastion Square for floral decoration. Your committee had a meeting with Mr. Wollaston and the city engineer and recommend that: (1) The sum of $125 be appropriated for the purpose. (2) The city engineer be instructed to fill in these spaces with fertilizing material and black soil (the latter to be taken from Elliott street) as suggested and required by Mr. Wollaston. (3) The use of the city water for the purpose of keeping the flower beds be granted free of charge. (4) The erection of fence, painting, laying out of the plots, etc., be left entirely in the hands of Mr. Wollaston, who has kindly offered to superintend and have the job completed, subject to the satisfaction of the city engineer.

The report was adopted.

The streets committee reported as follows:

Gentlemen,—Your streets, bridges and sewers committee having considered the undermentioned subjects, beg to recommend to the council the adoption of the following resolutions relating thereto, viz:

Re communication from Capt. James Gaudin, of the Department of Marine and fisheries with references to the continuation of Craigflower road through the Indian reserve to the foot bridge crossing the flats, and its further extension to the Marine Hospital, on the understanding that this latter extension would be paid for by the Department. Resolved that the city engineer be requested to furnish the estimate requested of the said extension of the road from the foot bridge to the Marine Hospital, and carry out the work, if desired, at the entire expense and responsibility of the Dominion government, and that Captain Gaudin be so informed.

Re communication of L. U. Conyers, asking that the city extend the sewer from the north side of Yates street to the south side in front of his property at the junction of Yates street and Cadboro Bay road. Resolved that Mr. Conyers be informed that the city is unable to comply with his request.

Resolved that the city engineer be authorized to continue obtaining beach gravel from J. Haggerty, upon the same terms and conditions as are set out in an agreement for supplying gravel, between him (J. Raggerty) and the corporation, dated the 19th day of December, 1901.

Resolved that the building inspector's attention be called to the sections of the bylaws, named in the city solicitor's letter to Alderman Fell, upon the matter of the removal of nuisance, and that he, the building inspector, be instructed to proceed to remove the nuisance existing on the lots on Yates street, opposite the Dominion Hotel, upon which old lumber is piled, and upon all other lots in the city similarly situated.

Resolved that the sewer in Waddington alley be extended for 100 feet southerly.

The report was adopted.

The finance committee recommended the payment of accounts amounting to $2,191.-99. Adopted.

Tenders for certain plumbing work at City Hall were received from John Colbert, $110; J. H. Warner & Co., $118; Andrew Sheret, $93; Watson & McGregor, $120; A. F. Mallette, $126; E. F. Geiger, $112.

The tenders were referred to the purchasing agent and plumbing inspector for report.

The council adjourned to meet again this evening at 8 o'clock.

Local News.

Lifeboat Association.—The committee of the Victoria Lifeboat Association will meet this afternoon at the office of the honorary secretary, Mr. J. Piercy, J. P., at 4:30 o'clock.

Directors' Meeting.—A meeting of the directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital will be held at the Board of Trade building on Thursday evening next at 8 o'clock.

Postponed Until Thursday.—The preliminary hearing of the two Chinese charged with the murder of Man Quamm has been adjourned to Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, and not Wednesday, as stated on Sunday.

Arrested Last Night.—Quite a respectable-looking man was arrested last night by Provincial Constable Campbell and placed in the city lock-up for safekeeping. The constable would not tell what the man had been arrested for and the city police did not know.

"Joan of Arc."—The regular weekly practice will be held this evening for the cantata, "Joan of Arc." The soloists will be present. As this is the last regular practice, it is earnestly hoped that all intending choristers will attend. The practice will commence at 8 o'clock.

Y. M. C. A. Minstrels.—The Y. M. C. A. minstrels held a most successful first practice last evening. The varied talents necessary to success were well represented, both vocal and instrumental. Members whose songs need duplicating are requested to hand them to the secretary.

Police Court.—There were but four cases called in the Police court yesterday morning. One of the offenders, a drunk, was fined $2.50 or five days' imprisonment. A vagrant, Thomas Lewis, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labor. A woman charged with being an inmate of a bawdy house was remanded until the 29th.

Oriental Mail.—All the mail from the United States for the Orient for the next sailing will go by the Empress of China, which sails February 22nd. This change is due to the fact that the Hongkong Maru, due to sail from San Francisco February 17th, and the Riojun Maru, due to sail from Seattle February 24th, have both been taken off the run. The next Japanese liner to sail from Seattle will be the Iyo Maru, on March 9th.

De Launay May Appeal.—The full judgment of the Seattle inspectors who inquired into the Clallam disaster appears in another column. It is said that Chief Engineer De Launay will take an appeal to Supervising Inspector Bermingham, of San Francisco, who is in charge of the first district. Capt. Roberts will have the same privilege. The decision of the inspectors will at once be forwarded to Inspector Bermingham. After that officer has carefully read the testimony in the case, he will forward it to Inspector Uhler at Washington, D. C., who is the head of the department. He has authority to reverse the decision.

Suits for Divorce.—Two suits for divorce were commenced in the Seattle courts on Friday by parties who were married in British Columbia. On grounds of cruelty, Margaret Muary has begun suit for divorce from George K. Muary. The plaintiff sets out in her complaint that she was married to the defendant at New Westminster in 1888, and that he has persevered during their married life in a course of abuse and vilefication which has now become unbearable. Frederick Strong has also begun suit for divorce from Elizabeth Ann Strong on the ground of desertion. The couple were married in Enderby, B. C., in 1890. There are two sons, of whom the father asks the custody.

St. Valentine's Day.—St. Valentine's Day has come and gone, almost unnoticed by Victorians. Save for the few displays made in the windows of the bookstores, little or no attention was paid to the observance of the old custom of exchanging tender missives betwixt those who have been smitten by Cupid's darts. It was very noticeable this year that the horrible daubs which did duty to such a large extent in the past as "comic" valentines, have almost disappeared from the market—"for which relief much thanks." Signs are not wanting that the time is fast approaching when the day will be more honored in the breach than in the observance—the next generation being probably in entire ignorance of what is meant by St. Valentine's Day.

Dance at Barracks.—The Warrant Officers, Staff Sergeants and Sergeants' Club gave a social last night in the Foives' court at Work Point barracks, and a most enjoyable evening was spent with the jolly military men. Nearly every variety of taste in the entertainment line could be suited in the different list of amusements provided. Besides the dancing all kinds of games were indulged in, such as target shooting, ping pong, checkers, cards, etc., etc. The hall was very tastily decorated and the music good, Mr. Ball and Sergt. Paley, R. E., proving themselves competent artists at the piano. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening. Over 150 guests were present and all were unanimous in declaring the night one of the most pleasant they have spent this winter. The following were the committee in charge: President, Mr. G. R. Kerriston; secretary-treasurer, S.-Q. M. S. Swain; committee, C.-S. M. Friar, R. A. G., C.-S. M. Ernest, R. E., Sergt. Martin, R. A. W. E., Sergt. Jeremy, R. E., Sergt. Walton, R. G. A., Sergt. Sisman, R. G. A., Sergt. Warner, Sergt. Sapson, R. E., and Sergt. Fenton, R. E.

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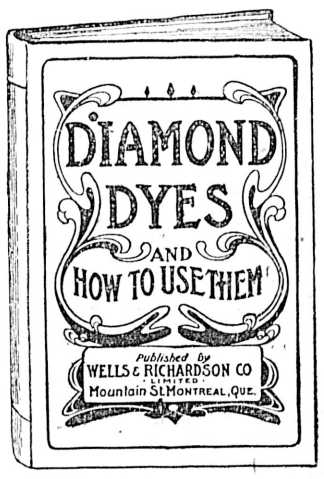
Valentine Social.—The annual valentine social of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was held last evening, when an excellent programme was rendered. Miss Green sang Godard's "Slumber Song" in very good style, her voice being well adapted to music of that character. She also recited later in the evening in her usual manner. Mrs. H. Currie sang "Tosti's "Beauty's Eyes" very sweetly, and had to respond to a well-earned encore. Miss Ore's rendering of Adams' "Adieu, Marie," was particularly pleasing; her full, round voice fairly caught the audience, and she had to favor again with Dhiza's "Sing On." Miss Keefe sang "If Only You Were Mine," and she also had to respond with "By Stars Above Me." Mr. H. Taylor sang "The Sentinel and I" in his usual faultless style. Miss Marrack acted as accompanist, showing great taste and helping to make an enjoyable concert. Dr. Milne was chairman, and his humorous remarks on love and charity caused roars of laughter. Refreshments were served by the ladies and there was a distribution of valentines.



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THE GAME LAWS.

Now that the session of the Legislature has been closed without any action being taken towards the better protection of the game in British Columbia, except in respect to deer on Vancouver Island, there are letters appearing in the Provincial press regretting that something was not done in that direction. We think that it would have been in the public interests had some legislation for the purpose been enacted. But there seemed to be a feeling among the members of the House—or at least a portion of them—that such legislation would not be regarded favorably by a majority of the people. This may or may not be the case, but if it is, we should regard the fact as showing that the matter is not generally understood. It is not a matter that concerns only a few sportsmen or one that will simply benefit a few persons who, it may be considered, should not ask the whole community to undertake a burden for them. We consider that the whole Province is interested in the question, and that it should be thoroughly discussed in the press, so that the people may be fully informed on the subject and be led to support any legislation that may be proposed in regard to it.

From remarks that one sometimes hears, there is evidently an idea held by some people that, while game laws may be in keeping with the conditions prevailing in the countries of Europe, they are entirely out of place on this Continent. In other words, that they are a relic of feudal times, or an appanage of aristocratic social conditions and incongruous with those found in the democratic communities on this side of the Atlantic. It may come as a surprise, therefore, to those who hold such views, for them to learn that there is scarcely a State in the Union that has not upon its Statute Books, one or more laws in regard to the preservation of game and the regulations to be observed by those who desire to hunt it for profit or recreation. In many parts of the United States such legislation has been passed when it was beginning to be realized how greatly the game had been depleted for lack of protection, and that measures must be taken to prevent it being completely destroyed. In British Columbia the situation is not quite as bad as that, although it will not be very long before a similar state of things will be found here in regard to some kinds of game, unless legislative action is taken. The subject must be kept before the public, so that an opinion favorable to action may be created.

COLONIAL SECURITIES IN LONDON.

The announcement that the flotation of the first instalment of the Transvaal Indemnity Loan, which was to have been made in London at the beginning of this year, has been postponed, probably for twelve months, is of general interest, showing as it does the opinion formed by financiers as to the monetary situation and the condition of the money market. The loan was to be divided into three sums of £10,000,000 sterling each, and the first of these amounts was to be offered for subscription this year and the two remaining portions in the two following years. Now, it would seem, that the whole operation will be postponed for twelve months and the loan be placed in three instalments in the years 1905, 1906 and 1907. It is not to bear interest at a higher rate than 4 per cent. At that, considering the security, it should, in a normal condition of the money market, be readily subscribed. Although it will not, as we understand the arrangement, bear a direct guarantee of the Imperial Government, like the Transvaal loan of last year for works and other purposes in that Colony, yet as an issue by what is a Crown Colony and one with such a promising outlook as the Transvaal has, it would stand high among that class of securities. The Government's decision to postpone the issue—which, by the way, was underwritten by South African financiers and others under the arrangement made with Mr. Chamberlain last year—is an indication that even gilt-edged securities are, at the present time, not in demand by investors at prices that should be asked for such investments.

The hint thrown out by Mr. Austen Chamberlain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, a few weeks ago, that the prospects were not favorable for any remissions of taxation in the coming Budget, shows that the anticipations formed last year that it would be possible to reduce taxation will not be realized. There is not much doubt that even if the war in the Far East is confined to Russia and Japan, and is brought to a conclusion within the next few months, the state of the London money market will not be favorable for the offer of any considerable amounts of colonial securities. The proceeds of the Transvaal loan were to go to the Imperial Government as part of the contribution of South Africa towards the expenses of the Boer war, and by the postponement of the issue, the Government will be deprived of that sum towards the revenue for the present or succeeding fiscal year. Under all the circumstances, the Colonies will not be welcomed as borrowers on terms which it would be wise for them to accept.

IMMIGRATION INTO CANADA.

Large as was the immigration into Canada during last year, it is stated that it is the belief of those most competent to express an opinion on the subject, that it will be largely exceeded during the present year. The greater part of this immigration will be directed towards the Northwest Territories of the Dominion, since the value of the immense areas of fertile lands still open for settlement is now coming to be realized both in the United States and in the United Kingdom. The class of immigrants from these countries that is now coming into Canada is an excellent one and far superior to the majority of immigrants who have been coming here in the past. From both the United States and Great Britain the immigrants are generally people who have some capital—in some instances quite considerable amounts—and in many cases they are familiar with agricultural pursuits. Indeed, those coming from the United States are, to a large extent, composed of farmers who settled in the Western States years ago, and who took up the Government land that was then open for settlement in those regions. They have brought their farms into a good state of cultivation, and during the past few years have shared in the prosperity which has been enjoyed by the agricultural community in that country. But they find it now impossible to place their sons on Government land or to extend their own holdings because all the Government land has been disposed of. They find that they can dispose of their farms at good prices and, by emigrating to the Canadian Northwest, secure larger tracts of equally fertile land at merely nominal cost and with excellent prospects for a steady appreciation in its value as the country becomes settled. This class of immigrants is one that cannot fail to benefit the districts in which they settle. They bring with them the experience and knowledge useful for settlers in a new country, proposing, indeed, to repeat in the Northwest the methods by which they achieved success in the States from which they have come. The agriculturists from the United Kingdom are also desirable settlers. Although without the personal knowledge of the conditions that prevail on this Continent, they are experienced farmers or farm laborers, and soon adapt themselves to their new surroundings. Whatever else he may do or may not do, Mr. Chamberlain's advocacy of preferential treatment for Canadian wheat and other agricultural products, has turned attention in the United Kingdom to the openings here for agriculturists, with the result of causing that class of immigrants to select Canada as their future home.

THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

The English directors of the Grand Trunk have not fallen in with the new conditions which the Government proposes. There have been serious and prolonged discussions at Ottawa between the company's solicitors and the Government. It is no secret that the company find it impossible to float the scheme without a land grant. The money subsidy, of course, counts for a good deal; but it is not all that is required by the financiers who have been asked to provide the funds. They demand land, and this the Ottawa Government dare not offer. There will be a lively time when Parliament meets should the truth be forced upon the country that negotiations have fallen through and a new scheme for a new transcontinental railway will have to be considered.

THE COST TO FRANCE.

M. Roche, ex-Minister of Commerce, has given statistics of the cost to France of a European war. There would be at least 2,000,000 men in the fighting line, while to gain numerical strength equal to Germany alone, France would be obliged to appeal to the six classes of the territorial army, comprising 900,000 men. Thus 3,000,000 men would have to be mobilized, transported and nourished. Six hundred thousand horses would be necessary, of which 500,000 would have to be bought and paid for. Taking 15 francs ($3) per capita daily for each soldier, and estimating the expenses of provender and the repair of material, M. Roche arrives at the colossal figure of $6,000,000 daily as France's expense in a big European war under present conditions.

The special London despatch which the Colonist is able to present to its readers this morning, describing the first action at Port Arthur, seems to put an altogether different phase on that affair. According to all previous reports, the Japanese fleet had everything its own way, so much so that this particular action, taken in conjunction with subsequent encounters, seemed to have practically decimated the navy of the Czar. From what the Mail correspondent now says, the damage done by the former has been greatly exaggerated, as most of the vessels in Port Arthur are still practically intact. Not only this, but another despatch to the same paper from Chefoo stated that the Russian fleet has left Port Arthur on a hunt for their erstwhile conquerors.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

GAME PROTECTION.

Sir,—Lately in the provincial parliament there has been a great deal of discussion on the game laws of the province. A thousand laws may be made and are worthless if not enforced. In the upper country around Grand Prairie and Salmon river, deer are shot at all seasons and no one takes any notice. Only within the last week a newly appointed J. P. on Salmon river has been out on several occasions killing two deer. Now, Sir, if the people who are appointed to enforce the laws openly break them, can it be wondered that other people do the same?

PROTECTIONIST.

Grande Prairie, Feb. 9th, 1904.

TRIAL ISLAND LIGHT.

Sir,—Re light on Trial Island, I suggest that the powerful current which flows past the island, be used to generate electricity for said light. In fact, by using a modern type of water wheel, enough electricity may be obtained to also light the beacon off Dallas road and Oak Bay lighthouse, etc. I am given to understand that such a scheme is used in Los Angeles with great success. Hoping that enquiries will be made as to the practicability of the above idea.

V. B. H.

PRESS COMMENT.

The cause of death of Band Boy Gilbert, 2nd Battalion Rifle Brigade, has now been investigated by a court of inquiry, and a court-martial will be assembled if so determined by the War Office. This is a case that cannot be hushed up, and, for the credit of the regiment, all the facts must be brought to public view. According to the accounts of the case sent home from Cairo, it would appear that Gilbert became very unpopular with the other band boys of the regiment, and that he was beaten so severely, after a mock trial, that death resulted from his injuries. This is the worst case of ragging in the barrack-rooms that has come to public notice for some years. It is said to be admitted that the band boys beat their comrade with bolsters, but bolsters do not cause fatal injuries. Of course, the culprits will have to be fittingly punished.—Naval and Military Record.

Doubtless the good servant is born preliminary to being made. There is every reason to expect that her efficiency will be increased at a training-school such as that established by the Women's Domestic Guild. This new educational enterprise will deserve the success it is likely to have. At present a servant's training is chiefly dependent upon the individual instruction of the mistress of a household. It is instruction of a good order so far as it goes, transforming very raw material received fresh from Ellis Island into a more or less acceptable finished product. In general the teacher is competent and her handiwork something she may pardonably be proud of, with a pride tempered by consideration of the higher wages invariably demanded after improvement.—N. Y. World.

Mr. Hutchinson makes an earnest appeal to the authorities of the Roman Catholic Church, whose congregations, in all countries, are rendered more liable than other people to contract leprosy, from the circumstance that a fish diet is enjoined, or permitted, at certain seasons as a matter of religious observance, and that where a fish diet, and especially a diet largely composed of preserved fish, is eaten under such sanction it will almost certainly happen that some of it will be badly cured and liable to decay. Mr. Hutchinson expresses his conviction that the fasts of the Roman Church, onwards from the time of their institution, have been largely conducive to the extension and prevalence of leprosy. The disease prevailed all over Europe during the ascendency of that Church; and, whilst it has disappeared from most of the districts which have seceded, it is still plentiful in many which have not, as in Spain, Portugal, Italy, and many of the Mediterranean islands. Mr. Hutchinson declares that if the Roman Church would either allow flesh meat on fast days, or following the example of the Greek Church, would forbid fish as well as flesh, the leprosy now existing among many large communities would be likely wholly to disappear. The appeal is the more reasonable inasmuch as the distinction between fish and flesh, which was drawn in times of ignorance, can hardly be maintained in the face of modern knowledge; and hence the prohibition of the latter, while the former is permitted, is scarcely to be described by any other term than as absurd.—London Times.

According to Manitoba exchanges, Fred C. Wade, K.C., is to be run for parliament Winnipeg by Sifton and his confreres. Fred Wade, the Pooh Bah of the Klondike, is better known here than even in his Manitoba home. Contrary to all law he here occupied the various positions at one and the same time of crown prosecutor, registrar, practicing attorney, legal adviser to the territorial government, member of Major Walsh's council of four advisers, claim owner and operator, consulting attorney to Alex. McDonald, share holder in various enterprises, as the upper ferry, promoter of the leasing of the Dawson waterfront entire to his client, Alex. McDonald, stampeder to Monte Cristo Island—and a host of other important positions half forgotten but making of him while here the most important official who ever shook the dust of Dawson from his shoes when he departed after a few years of conspicuous residence.—Dawson News.

PROVINCIAL PRESS.

A gentleman who has done probably more testing of rock and mineral than any other individual in the Lardeau country during the past four years without striking what would enrich himself to any extent, is Mr. A. H. Holdich, of Camborne, who occupies the position of assayer for the Great Northern Mines, Limited. We are glad to receive the intelligence that Mr. Holditch has fallen heir to a rich estate in the Old Country, and we feel sure he has many friends 'n Ferguson and elsewhere who will be pleased to learn of his good luck.—Ferguson Eagle.

The funeral of the late James Humphrey, who died at the ranch of his son Charles at Fairfield on Thursday will take place from Gordon's Undertaking Parlors this afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. A. E. Hetherington officiating. The deceased was a former well known resident of Sherbrooke, Quebec, and has resided with his sons Fred and Charles near Anderson creek and besides the two mentioned sons, he leaves surviving another son James and one married daughter, Mrs. Scott of Sherbrooke.—Kamloops Standard.

On Sunday evening the citizens of Armstrong were startled by an alarm of fire which proved to be located in the Methodist church. The conflagration started from the furnace in the cellar and before the citizens could get any water on the burning building, it looked as if it were doomed. Nearly all the garden hose in town was frozen up and for some time snow was the only thing available with which to fight the fire. It was conquered at last, however, but not before it had done some $600 or $700 damage to the building and contents, which will be fully covered by insurance. It was only a month since the church was re-opened after being repaired, which makes the loss to the members of the church doubly hard.—Armstrong Advertiser.

We are pleased to announce to those of our readers who are interested, that the final arrangements for the fruit cannery at New Westminster have been completed. Mr. Moore will shortly visit this section to get acquainted with our fruit growers.—Delta Times.

The marriage of Mr. Marcus Bailey with Miss Millicent Sansom, eldest daughter of Mrs. P. A. Jenns, took place at the home of the bride's parents on Wednesday evening in the presence of near relatives of the bride and bridegroom. Owing to the unfortunate illness of the Rev. Percival Jenns, of St. John's, Victoria, who was to have tied the knot, the ceremony was performed by the Rev. James Turner. The bride, given away by her step-father, Mr. Jenns, was dressed in white silk mull, full veil and orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet. Miss Gladys Bailey, niece of the bridegroom, was bridesmaid and wore white organdie and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Mr. R. S. Cooke performed the duties of best man.—Ashcroft Journal.

A. R. Yates and F. C. Stockdale left for Fort Steele on Sunday afternoon in connection with Masonic matters. It is stated that they have rode the Columbia Lodge goat to a standstill and have gone down to see if the Steele goat is more frisky. If it is, it is said they will order one of the same breed immediately. A goat that our bronco-busters can't ride will have to be of extra good breed. In fact, our humble opinion is that even the Masons, after centuries of experience in goat breeding, cannot produce anything our boys can't ride.—Wilmer Outcrop.

RECENT HISTORY IN THE FAR EAST.

A short time ago The London Daily Chronicle gave the following concise summary of recent events in the Far East:

In view of these "excursions and alarms," it may be well to recall the course of events in the Far East during the past few years. On July 31, 1894, war was formally declared by Japan against China, and notified to the powers. The fighting by land and sea went steadily in favor of the Japanese, who, indeed, carried all before them. In May, 1895, the treaty of Shimonoseki, negotiated by Li Hung Chang, who visited Japan for the purpose, was ratified, and brought peace as between the two countries. Following the "breakup of China," as it was called at the time, there began a scramble by the powers for territory. Japan, under pressure from Russia, France and Germany, relinquished Port Arthur and the territory she had occupied on the mainland. Germany was the first of China's disinterested protectors to profit by her weakness. The murder of two German missionaries in Chan-Tung gave Germany a pretext for landing a force at Kio-Chau in November, 1897, and demanding mining and railway privileges in the Shang-Tung province. Prince Henry of Prussia was sent to China in command of a German battleship, as the Emperor expressed it, to strike with his "mailed fist," if necessary. Then on December 18, 1897, there appeared an official announcement which heralded much. It was that the Russian fleet, by permission of China, would winter at Port Arthur. On February 22, 1898, came the news that the Chinese government had agreed with Great Britain to open all the inland waters, and undertaken not to alienate to any foreign power territory in the basin of the Yangtse-Klang. In March there was a report that Russia had demanded the surrender by China of all sovereign rights over Port Arthur and Talien-wan, on the same terms as had already been granted to Germany in regard to Kiao-Chou. Next, the world heard that China had practically handed over the peninsula to Russia, and had agreed to conditions for the development of the Trans-Manchurian railway. The excitement caused in England about this time will not readily be forgotten. On April 2, 1898, it became known that England had been given a lease of Wei-hai-wei. The first act of the prolonged drama had thus been the war between China and Japan, the second the scramble for territory following it, and thirdly, in the summer of 1900 came the "Boxer" rising. It led to large military operations by the powers, and to the successful relief of the Pekin legations which had been besieged. The allied troops got to Pekin on August 14, and entered the "Forbidden City" on the 17th. About the middle of January, 1901, the terms of peace imposed by the allies were accepted, gradually matters grew quieter, and the Chinese court, which had fled, returned to Pekin. The visit of the Marquis Ito to England early last year, heralded another event having far-reaching effects, namely, the Anglo-Japanese treaty. Russia, meanwhile, has secured a firm hold over Manchuria and completed her railway from the Baltic to the Yellow Sea. Her apparent intention to extend her operations to Korea, as well as her failure to carry out repeated pledges to "evacuate" Manchuria on October 8, has produced the existing tension with Japan.

TWO HOLDUPS.

He held his darling in his arms,
And by the stars above
Declared the sweetest joy in life
Was then to tell his love.

He holds his darling in his arms
And wears a savage frown,
As all night long with steady tread
His feet go up and down.

RISIBILITIES.

The Other Senator—We can't get around our plain duty to Cuba, my dear. It is just as plain now as when— Beet-Sugar Senator—Plain? It's worse than that, sir! It's repulsive!—Philadelphia Ledger.

"De moral poverty of human nature," said Uncle Eben, "is shown by de number of folks dis season dat is gwinter have to git along wif deir las' season's New Year's resolutions made over."—Washington Star.

Teacher—Can any little boy tell me why these are the shortest days in the year? Tommy Smart—Pop says it's because you have to spend so much money for Christmas presents these days. — Philadelphia Press.

Edith — Just think! Here's a New Thought professor who teaches that one can become beautiful by persistently thinking herself beautiful. Irene—Oh, pshaw! We could point out so many instances to the contrary.—Smart Set.

The second half was nearly played and nobody killed yet. The crowd was impatient and ugly. "Perhaps a grandstand will collapse," faltered the management, looking anxiously out over the sea of sullen faces, and hoping against hope.—Puck.

"Your husband seems to have exalted opinion of you," remarked the bride's aunt. "He says you are his right hand." "Yes," rejoined the young wife with a sigh long drawn out; "but he's one of those men who never let their right hand know what their left hand does."— Chicago Daily News.

Mr. Subbubs—I sent a girl to see you from the employment agency this morning. Did she call? Mrs. Subbubs—Yes, she interviewed me. Mr. Subbubs—And will she take the place? Mrs. Subbubs—I hope so. She was pleased to say she thought I would be "respectful" to her.—Philadelphia Press.

"Now I hate the British," said the first New Yorker, "because they're so horribly stuck on themselves; always bragging about what they've done and what they can do." "That's right," replied the other. "I hate that kind of brag, too. They seem to forget that we licked 'em twice and could do it again, if necessary."—Philadelphia Press.

Frank Charrington, a London brewer, converted to total abstinence by Dr Rainsford, the American clergyman, has decided to spend his fortune in a crusade against the habit which made it for him. Charrington's principles have cost him $6,250,000, for his father disinherited him when he discovered the young man's hostility to the brewing business. There are few such cases in the history of the prohibition movement. Men who give up fortunes for ideas are rare.

The earliest extant manuscript of the Hebrew Old Testament is a copy of the Pentateuch, now in the British Museum and assigned to the ninth century, and the earliest manuscript bearing a precise date is a copy of the prophets, at St. Petersburg, dated A. D. 916, while the majority of the manuscripts belong to much later periods.

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Hospital Board.—The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital will be held on Thursday evening next for the transaction of general business.

Baxter Hive.—All the regular members of Baxter Hive, No. 8, L. O. T. M., are requested to be present this evening at the regular review to assist in installation of officers, at the usual time at Semple's hall, Victoria West.

Neutrality Proclamation.—In an extra of the Provincial Gazette, issued yesterday, appears the neutrality proclamation for Canada respecting the war now in progress, transmitted by Joseph Pope, under secretary of state. It has already appeared in the Colonist's telegraphic columns.

Military Events.—Following is the programme of military events to be followed this week: Tuesday—Rehearsal of Paardeberg entertainment. Wednesday—No. 3 company, physical drill with arms; No. 4 company, sword exercise. Thursday — Paardeberg entertainment. Friday—Target practice; band practice. Saturday—Band concert.

A Promising Outlook.—With the coming of spring and the commencement of activity in mining, fishing and lumbering along the Northern British Columbia coast, to say nothing of the possible commencement of operations on the coast end of the Grand Trunk Pacific beginning at the end of summer, shipping traffic northward will be heavier than ever before. It is also among the possibilities that Dominion aid for the all-Canadian railroad to the Yukon will be forthcoming this year. Such being the case, the preliminaries of construction cannot fail to add largely to the amount of freight traffic emanating from lower British Columbia ports.

A Northern Murder.—The steamer Neil, which has just arrived from the North, brought as a passenger Provincial Officer Woolacott, of Alert Bay, who has in custody three Indians, who are charged with murder. In 1902 two Japanese fishermen at Rivers Inlet mysteriously disappeared and it was thought they had perished in a gale. Their bodies were never found, and the matter had been almost forgotten until late last year when the Indians confessed the murder to the Methodist missionary at Bella Bella. The Japs were murdered during a drunken bout, being clubbed to death with paddles. The missionary communicated with the authorities, and, after investigation, three men were arrested on the capital charge.

Hazleton's Chances.—On account of the boom given the northern country by the certainty of its exploitation by a great transcontinental railroad investors have for the past year been quietly grabbing up a great deal of property which may or may not become valuable—just as the location of the line of railroad will determine. As to the terminus on the coast there is yet some doubt, Port Simpson and Kitimaat being the most talked of locations. In any event it is thought that no matter where the railroad will finally reach salt water, it must of necessity pass the town of Hazelton, and that place is looked upon as a coming railroad construction centre. It is located at the head of navigation on the Skeena River, and has already been townsited.

The Chemainus Murder.—Several confessions of Johnny Peters, who was committed for trial at the preliminary hearing at Duncans last week were produced in court, from which it appears that he had a grudge against Wilson on account of the death of his boy, whom Wilson attended. On the night in question Peters met Wilson and his wife in a canoe and got several drinks of him. Jackson also came along and got several drinks. Jackson left for home, but Peters got quarrelsome and followed Wilson, demanding payment for a freight bill. As a result of the quarrel Peters shot them both. He claims, however, to know nothing of Jackson, who has not been heard of since, and whose canoe was found with a cap in it and blood on the gunwale.

Sunday Evening Lecture.—The series of Sunday night lectures being delivered by R. H. Kneeshaw in the A. O. U. W. hall continue to grow in popularity, the lectures being listened to with the attention which they deserve. On Sunday evening the subject of "Prayer" was dealt with. The lecturer said: "In order to pray in sincerity, we have to get into harmony with nature, into full agreement with the laws which govern the universe, when our every action would be a prayer which could not fail to have its answer. Prayer is a demand of the creature, not upon the Creator, but upon other parts of the creation." The lecture was listened to by a large audience with marked attention. During the evening Miss Kneeshaw's beautiful voice was heard to great advantage in her rendering of "Daddy."

The Bostonians.—The coming of "The Bostonians" is a reminder that with their return always is heard the note of cheer and happy expectancy. This season they have the strongest equipment in the history of the organization, not only in principal artists, headed, of course, by Henry Clay Barnabee and William H. Macdonald, but in the musical and vocal strength and finish of the chorus. Their productions are new and the recent change that made the Bostonians a corporation in place of a private firm is believed to have worked a positive revolution in the art spirit with which their performances are charged. Mr. Loudon G. Charlton is now the managing director of the organization, and Charles R. Bacon business manager. They will be heard here in the successful and deservedly popular opera "The Serenade," on Thursday evening.

Y. M. C. A. Social.—This evening the Y. M. C. A. is giving a social, when all members and friends of the association will be welcomed. A short musical programme has been arranged for and refreshments will be served by the Ladies' Auxiliary. The gymnasium will be open and amusements will be going on in all the rooms.

Address Wanted.—Militia orders of January 26th contain the following notice: "If any persons is aware of the present address of Mr. R. B. Rushton, aged about 40 years, who was formerly a bandsman, and who is believed to have joined regimental bands in Montreal, Hamilton and Victoria, will he be kind enough to communicate it to the Adjutant-General, Militia Headquarters."

The Pollards Coming.—The ever-popular Pollard Opera Company is coming to Victoria, opening a brief engagement at the Victoria theatre on Monday evening next. They have been playing to good business at Portland and the Sound cities. Their repertoire this season includes "The Belle of New York," "The Geisha" and "An American Millionaire."

Had Trying Trip.—A. S. Going, C. E., is expected to return to Victoria about the first of next month. He is exploring that part of the province between Hazleton and Pine River Pass for the Grand Trunk Pacific. In a late letter to friends here Mr. Going gives the information that his winter's trip in the northern wilds has been a very rough one. For ten days he had to subsist on tea alone.

Appear at Vancouver.—The Vancouver News-Advertiser has the following item of interest to local musicians: "On Thursday evening, February 18th, the musical committee of Wesley church, Vancouver, will present a very attractive programme. G. Jennings Burnett, organist, and Herbert Taylor, baritone, both of Victoria, assisted by the choir of Wesley church, will contribute the programme."

Postmen's Concert.—At the concert to be given by the postmen at the Victoria theatre on the 29th inst., the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society will present the three-act drama, "Borderland," in which they have been so successful. Among those who will contribute to the programme are Miss Maude Underhill, Mrs. Gleason, Miss Kneeshaw, Jesse Longfield, Fred. Richardson, Corporal Simpson, Pte. Souter and Sapper Lockwood.

Build Wagon Road.—Captain William Moore, the founder of Skagway and a pioneer of Victoria, has asked the Yukon council to grant him the privilege of building a good, serviceable and graded wagon road from White Horse into the Bullion and Ruby Creek mining districts. It is the purpose of the applicant to begin work just as soon as the weather will permit, in case he receives a charter from the council. Capt. Moore was the first man to apply to the United States government for a charter to build a wagon road over the White Pass. He was also the instigator and builder of seventy-five miles of wagon road into the Cassiar.

Contraband of War.—The local steamship offices of the C. P. R. are in receipt of no further advices respecting the shipment of breadstuffs and foodstuffs from this port to Japanese ports. Pending the arival of instructions from the head office in Montreal matters will remain as they are at present, namely, no breadstuffs or foodstuffs will be placed on board the Royal Naval Reserve steamship Empress of China, which is scheduled to depart for Yokohama and Hongkong on Monday next. In the event of regular liners operating from Vancouver and Puget sound refusing to transport articles which may be declared contraband, it is not without the bounds of possibility that tramp steamers may engage in the traffic.

In Flourishing Shape.—At the annual meeting of the relief association of the Victoria Fire Department, reports of the different officers showed the association to be in the most satisfactory condition, the finances being flourishing. In fact the fund amounts to nearly a thousand dollars. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Chief Watson; vice president, Capt. Pettigrew; secretary, Frank Leroy; treasurer, W. Smith; finance committee, R. Pettigrew, George Moss and L. Oliver; relief, Messrs. Duncan, Oliver and Moss; funeral, Messrs. Smith, Duncan and Pettigrew; trustees, Chief Watson, Capt. Pettigrew, Messrs. Leroy, Moss, Duncan, Oliver and W. Smith.

"The Eternal City."—"The Eternal City," Hall Caine's dramatization of his widely read novel of the same name, with the complete musical setting, written for it by Pietro Mascagni, composer of "Cavalleria Rusticana," when it comes to the Victoria theatre on Friday next with Edward J. Morgan as star and Sarah Truax as leading woman, will give play-goers an opportunity to see an even stronger and more interesting play than this author's earlier drama, "The Christian," whose success has been larger than that of any other play for a decade. The massive scenic production is the same which attracted unusual attention at the Victoria theatre, New York, where "The Eternal City" was presented for five months last season.

Buys Salt Spring Farm.—The Goyne estate on Salt Spring island has been purchased by H. Wood, the transfer being effected by F. J. Bittencourt, the auctioneer. Mr. Wood is an enterprising young Englishman who came to this province a few years ago. He intends to make Salt Spring island his future home. Salt Spring is becoming one of the most popular farming residential localities in this province. The old settlers are selling their places to people from the Old Country. J. Norton, a pioneer, and one of the first settlers, having resided there thirty-three years, has recently disposed of his farm to Messrs. Smith and Halley, the price being $10,000. The Salt Spring island creamery is kept very busy just now as all the cream of Victoria district is shipped there owing to the burning of the Victoria establishment.

Part Claim Admitted.—On Saturday morning at Vancouver, the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company made application to be allowed to pay $5,500 into court to the credit of the action brought against the company by A. E. Henry. The plaintiff claims no less than $24,000 for money advanced in promoting the company, in having the bonus by-law in Victoria passed, and in the railway construction from Port Guichon to Cloverdale. The railway company at first denied owing Henry anything, and pleaded as well that the money spent by Henry for construction work was spent during his term as director of the company, when it was illegal for him to have a contract. The application today was to be allowed to pay the $5,500 into court in satisfaction of the plaintiff's claim, and was allowed by consent of the opposing counsel.

Mysterious Suicide.—The Vancouver police department is puzzled over a mysterious case of suicide which happened early on Sunday morning at the Strand hotel. When a police officer entered the room he found an unfortunate man lying dead on the bed. He had evidently been sitting on the bedside when he fired the fatal shots. His arms were stretched out on either side, and from the left hand a new revolver had fallen. He appeared to be about 28 years old, clean-shaven, regular featured, tall and well built. He had registered on Wednesday, the 10th inst., as "W. H. Sewell, of Portland, Ore.," but his linen was all initialed "W. W. C." Diligent search failed to reveal any further clue to his identity. Not a scrap of writing could be found on his person or among his effects. On a waistcoast in his valise was an I. O. O. F. Encampment badge, and his clothes were marked, Chicago, Seattle, Minneapolis, according to the places where they were bought or made.

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GENERAL AGENTS

Farmers' Institutes.—It is the intention of the agricultural department to start the provincial farmers' institute regular spring meetings about the 20th of March.

Takes Position Here.—P. A. Jenns, who has been employed at the Ashcroft office of the C. P. R., has been transferred to the local office of the company. In company with Mrs. Jenns he arrived from the mainland on Saturday evening.

Dairyman's Association.—A meeting of the Victoria Dairyman's Association will be held at the city hall tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. A good attendance is requested as important business will be introduced for discussion.

B. C. Year Book.—The department of provincial information is now busy sending out a large number of the latest edition of the B. C. Year Book. Many of those valuable books are going to England, where there is a steadily increasing demand for trustworthy information as to this country.

At Normal Again.—After the session's fitful fever the life of the government buildings goes on placidly as ever. King Routine has once more ascended the throne, surrounded by his faithful Red-tape and Rules and Regulation Guards, under General Precedent and Marshal Status Quo.

Red Rose Social.—A delightful evening was spent by those present at the first social and dance given by the "Red Roses" at the A. O. U. W. hall on the even of Friday, the 12th of February. Whist was also indulged in. The dresses worn by the ladies were very pretty. Miss Hood, the pianist, acquited herself very creditably. Fifty-four guests were present and dancing was kept up till 1 o'clock when the happy party broke up.

A Regretted Demise.—At 6:30 on Saturday evening last the death occurred of Mrs. Eli Hallitt at her late residence, No. 12 Market street. Deceased had for many years been a sufferer from rheumatism and weakness of the heart, which resulted in a stroke of paralysis, after which she lingered for two weeks and then passed peacefully away. Mrs. Hallitt was a native of Yorkshire, England, but had lived in Victoria for nearly eighteen years. She was a member of Calvary Baptist church of this city, and highly esteemed by all who knew her. She leaves one daughter who has the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

Canadian Stockbreeders.—In the City hall, Ottawa, from March 7th to 12th, inclusive, the first annual meeting of the Canadian Stockbreeders' Association will be held. All kinds of questions interesting to members of the association will be discussed. British Columbia will send three delegates, accompanied by the minister or deputy minister of agriculture. On Tuesday afternoon, March 8th, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., there will be a meeting of the superintendents of farmers' institutes from each of the provinces, to discuss with them ways and means for improving the institute system throughout Canada. It is the wish of the Dominion department of agriculture to arrange so that speakers could commence at the Atlantic and continue work until they reach the Pacific, or vice versa.

January Weather.—The following official report of January weather appears in the weather map of the Dominion meteorological department: "An abnormally mild month, only occasional light frosts, moderate rainfall on 20 days and snow on three days. Very little sunshine, the proportion for month being only .10, the same as in last January, and both months by far the lowest here on record. A good many flowers and shrubs are still in bloom in gardens. A normal amount of wind and several gales. Nanaimo reports precipitation 8.38 inches, including 4 inches of snow. Sooke Lake: Precipitation, 12.33 inches, including 8 inches of snow. Lower Mainland: Vancouver, rain, 8.63 inches. Chilliwack: Precipitation 6.66 inches; hail on 23rd. Agassiz: Rain, 6.70 inches; including 4 inches of snow; duration of sunshine 30 hours."

More Troops Coming.—Confirmatory of the rumors that Britain is to increase the garrison at Esquimalt is the following press despatch from Halifax: "The British government is making enquiries concerning the facilities for quartering in Canada seven regiments of troops in addition to those already there during the war in the East. It is proposed to send two regiments to this city, two to Esquimalt, B. C., and one each to Quebec, Montreal, and Toronto. It is understood that the government wishes to station troops at these points in order to have them nearer the scene of hostilities between Japan and Russia in case complications involving British interests should develop. While the government has forces in India, it is said that it would not move them because of the danger that soldiers of Afghanistan or Thibet would quietly cross the Indian frontier and become a serious menace."

Edison Theatre.—There is certainly a great show this week at the Edison, composed entirely of stars. Neff & Miller, singers and dancers, are the best in their line ever seen here. Mr. Neff, in his grotesque dance, kept the house in a continual roar the entire time he was on the stage, while Mr. Miller is by long odds the best straight dancer in the profession. They do a dancing boxing match, which must be seen to be appreciated. The only Eva Thatcher, a true Irish comedienne, has a turn new to Victoria, with which she made a decided hit. It is immensely funny and she received round after round of well merite applause. The vaudeville part of the programme concludes with Baby and Eugene Thomas in marvelous feats of light and heavyweight balancing. The little tot, she is but six years old, sings and dances very bewitchingly. Mr. Thomas among other feats, balances a heavy wagon wheel, a heavy wheelbarrow and numerous other light and heavy articles. The moving pictures are all new and novel and were greatly applauded. The show in its entirety is good and well worth seeing.

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Purchased Business.—The teaming business formerly conducted by the late Peter Hansen has been acquired by John Haggerty.

Drowned at New Westminster.—Robert Fairful, son of Mr. Fairful, Foul Bay, was drowned off the King Edward dredge at New Westminster yesterday. He had been acting as watchman since she left Victoria. The remains will be brought to Victoria for burial.

Not the Murderers.—Chief of Police Langley received a photo yesterday afternoon of the two Chinamen who were captured trying to land near Blaine, Wash., last week. It was supposed they were two of the murderers of Man Quann, but the photo received proves this is not so. There is no resemblance.

Laid at Rest.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Geo. Brook, of Tolmie avenue, took place yesterday afternoon from Assembly hall, old postoffice building. The services were conducted by the members of the Christian Brethren at the hall and graveside. A large number attended. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Messrs. W. MacGregor, J. R. Fraser, Geo. Watson and T. W. Barber.

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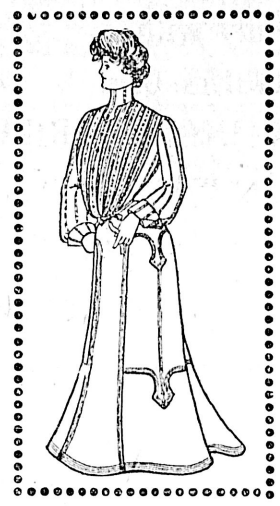

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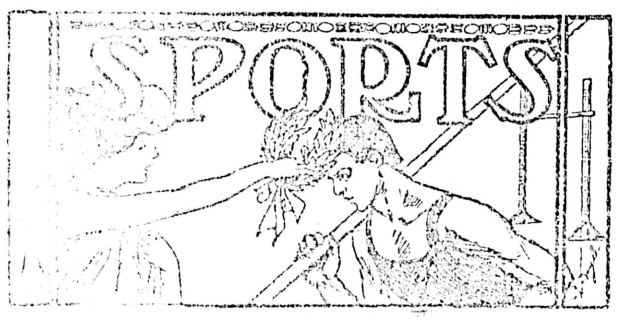

HANDBALL.

Finlayson and Jost Win Out.

J. Finlayson and S. Jost brought the ambitious career of B. C. Pettingell and F. C. Davie to a speedy termination by defeating them in two straight games with comparative ease, the score being 21—11, 21—20. The match, which was witnessed by an enthusiastic audience, took place in the J. B. A. A. gymnasium at the end of the week. In the first game, Finlayson and Jost seemed to understand each others play perfectly, while their opponents did not settle down until the score was hopelessly against them. Consequently, the challengers lost by 10 points. They played much better in the second test, and for a time secured the lead. Then Finlayson and Jost put up a great struggle and by means of a particularly brilliant effort on Mike's part, the score was tied at 12 points. After that the struggle was very exciting, first one pair and then the other obtaining the advantage. Pettingell made desperate efforts to win this game, and after clever placing, evened up matters at 20 points. Mike then put in a brilliant serve which beat his opponents and won the game and match. Frank Smith and Walter Jesse, the officials in charge of the game, gave every satisfaction.

Finlayson and Jost undoubtedly won through their steadiness. Nothing could rattle them, while their serving and judgment in placing were excellent. Pettingell and Davie put up a good game, but they were not so evenly balanced as their rivals, their play being slightly erratic.

HOCKEY.

At a meeting held after last Saturday's game the following team was chosen to represent the Victoria Hockey Club in their match against Vancouver at Oak bay on February 20th for the Thorpe cup:

Goal, C. Maclean; backs, A. Maclean and K. Gillespie; half backs, W. York, B. Tye, R. Jaegers; forwards, A. Gillespie, W. Winsby, K. Scholefield (capt.), B. Schwengers, J. Hart.

The local team have been practicing hard for this match. At one time things looked blue, both B. Schwengers and L. S. V. York being hors de combat. However, Bernie is now well enough to play and a really capable team will represent Victoria on Saturday next.

THE TURF.

The following are the dates of some of the big English races: Lincoln handicap, one mile, March 22nd; Grand National, four miles 856 yards, March 25th; Great Metropolitan, about two and one-quarter miles, April 19th; City and Suberban, about one and one-quarter miles, April 20th; Chester cup, nearly two and one-quarter miles, May 4th, and Jubilee stakes, one and one-quarter miles, May 7th.

CURLING.

The Winnipeg Bonspiel.

Winnipeg, Feb. 15.—Dunbar, of Minneapolis, still has a great record in the Winnipeg bonspiel. He won all his games today. This morning he won from McIntyre, of the Winnipeg Granites, 13 to 9, in the Brunswick. At noon he defeated Griffith, of Glenboro, who won the Grand Challenge last year. At 4 o'clock he knocked out McLaughlin, of Stockton, in the Tetley competition, and tonight he is playing Black of the Winnipeg Assiniboias.

TUG OF WAR.

To the Sporting Editor.

Sir: Kindly allow me a small space to correct an item in your paper of the 10th inst. re the Fifth Regiment military tournament on Paardeberg day next Thursday. In the ninth event it reads: Tug of war, No. 5 Company vs. No. 6 Company. This event should read No. 5 Company vs. the Fifth Regiment. This is the result of a challenge thrown out to the Regiment by me on October 3rd last and accepted, as will be seen in your issue of that date. This corerction is to convince the public that this contest is not an exhibition pull, but a pull for blood, also in fairness to the men from the different companies who are representing the regiment against No. 5 Company. We proved our superiority over each individual company when we won the Gregory cup at the last militia camp and now it is up to us to show the public that there is as good stuff in No. 5 company of about fifty men as there is in all the other companies combined.

W. H. SPURRIER,
Capt. of No. 5 Company Team.

WRESTLING.

Draw After Two and a Half Hours.

Buffalo, Feb. 15.—Walter Willoughby of Buffalo and Charles Conkle of Hamilton, Ont., wrestled two and a half hours to a draw tonight before the Olympic Athletic Club here, neither man securing a fall.

CRICKET.

English vs. Combined Tasmania.

Hobart, Jan. 25.—In the match here today—the first of the two fixtures in Tasmania—Hayward, Hirst and Braund were left out of the English team. It is an eleven a side game and limited to two days. The weather kept fine nearly all the afternoon, but rain came on before the time for drawing stumps.

Warner won the toss and, on an excellent wicket, opened the English innings with Foster to the bowling of Windsor and Paton. The first wicket fell at 72, Foster being caught and mid-off. Tyldesley was bowled at 78 by the second ball he received and before another run had been obtained Warner was caught at mid-off. A third catch by Cuff in the same position got rid of Arnold, the score with four men out being 82. At 127 Knight was caught at long-on. The innings, which ended for 185, wae altogether a poor display, but the batsmen—fatigued by a tedious journey by water—did not play a serious game.

Tasmania went in, and when rain stopped the game the score was 11 for four wickets.

Hobart, Jan. 26.—Limited as it was to two days, the match here ended today in a draw. Playing in a very different form from that shown in their first innings, the Englishmen gave a brilliant display of batting.

The Tasmanian innings closed for 191.

In the Erglishmen's second innings Warner and Tyldesley batted brilliantly together, Warner being at last caught at square leg. He gave no chance, and his forcing play on the one side was admirable. At 175 Tyldesley was stumped. His innings—quite free from fault—was marked by a great variety of strokes. Arnold left at 188, but with Knight and Bosanquet together the bowling was completely mastered. Bosanquet hit in great form. At 354 Warner declared the inings closed.

A draw being inevitable, no interest remained in the match when Tasmania went in for the second time. At 42 Burn was caught at the wicket, and then Hawson and Dodd played out time. Score:

England—First Innings.

P. F. Warner, c. Cuff, b. Smith	26
R. E. Foster, c. Cuff, b. Smith	43
Tyldesley, b. Eady	4
Arnold, c. Cuff, b. Smith	4
Knight, c. Smith, b. Windsor	19
B. J. T. Bosanquet, b. Eady	35
Lilley, c. Cuff, b. Windsor	11
Relf, run out	24
Rhodes, not out	6
Fielder, c. Eady, b. Windsor	1
Strudwick, b. Eady	1
Extras	11
Total	185

Second Innings.—P. F. Warner, c. Paton, b. Smith, 64; R. E. Foster, b. Windsor, 23; Tyldesley, st. Dodds, b. Windsor, 85; Arnold, b. Windsor, 8; Knight, not out, 45; B. J. T. Bosanquet, not out, 124; extras, 5—total (for four wickets) 354.

Tasmania—First Innings.

Cuff, c. Tyldesley, b. Relf	9
Hawson, c. Arnold, b. Bosanquet	29
Douglas, c. Foster, b. Arnold	38
Dodds, c. Rhodes, b. Arnold	24
Windsor, c. Arnold, b. Rhodes	2
Eady, b. Rhodes	16
Burn, not out	28
Hale, b. Arnold	9
Smith, c. Relf, b. Arnold	13
Paton, run out	18
Bailey, b. Fielder	3
Extras	2
Total	191

Second Innings.—Burn, c. Strudwick, b. Foster, 24; Hawson, not out, 37; Dodds, not out, 2—total (for one wicket), 63.

England vs. N. Tasmania.

Launcester, Jan. 29.—The English team commenced a two-days match here today against an eleven of Northern Tasmania.

The weather was beautifully fine, and an excellent wicket had been prepared.

From the English team Foster, Bosanquet, Braund, and Relf were left out, and the remaining place was filled by the inclusion of Drummond, the old Harrovian, who played at Ballarat.

The Tasmanians won the toss and went in first, commencing with Hawson and Savigny to the bowling of Hirst and Fielder.

In spite of favorable conditions, they had lost seven wickets for 121 runs at lunch, and the side was all out for 141.

Hirst took five wickets for 41 runs, Arnold two for 16, and Fielder three for 44.

The Englishmen started batting with Warner and Hayward, but did not make a good start, Warner being bowled at 16 and Tyldesley three runs dater.

Hayward and Knight put a different complexion on the game, and were not separated till the total had been taken to 71.

Hirst and Hayward put on 110 runs for the next partnership.

Then Hirst was caught after having made 51, and Rhodes came in. He and Hayward made another fine stand, which was terminated by the fall of the Surrey man at 261.

Hayward's innings included four 5's and seventeen 4's. He only gave one chance.

Lilley came in, but Rhodes was stumped at 270, Arnold was out 276, and Drummond bowled at 282.

This was the last success of the bowlers, for Lilley and Fielder stayed together till the drawing of stumps, when the score stood at 321 for eight wickets.

Up to the present Smith has taken four wickets for 99 runs, and Windsor two for 88. Score:

England.

P. F. Warner, b. Windsor	4
Hayward, c. Douglas, b. Smith	134
Tyldesley, b. Smith	1
Knight, b. Addison	30
Hirst, c. Cuff, b. Windsor	51
Rhodes, stumped	39
Lilley, not out	32
Arnold, lbw. b. Smith	6
Drummond, b. Smith	1
Fielder, not out	19
Extras	5
Total (8 wickets)	321

Strudwick to bat.

Northern Tasmania: 141 (Dodd 48, Windsor 33.)

THE OAR.

Sunday's Post-Intelligencer has the following special from San Francisco which will interest local oarsmen. It is not too late for the James' Bays to enter for some of the events: "It is settled that there will be intercollegiate boat races this year on the Pacific coast. After years of trying on the part of the boating men of the University of California, a sentiment for boating has been aroused at Stanford University, and to make the matter more interesting, the University of Washington has promised to come into the fold.

"The negotiations were completed when the directors of the Boating Association of the University of California, acting on the word of the rowing men of the other two universities, set April 23 as the day for holding a regatta on Sessions' basin, one of the best stretches of water on the Coast. There will be two intercollegiate races and several club races."

Ten Eyck Will Coach Pennsylvania.

Edward Hanlan Ten Eyck, the noted amateur sculler, who has grown too big and stout to continue his high form, has become a professional and has been engaged to coach the Pennsylvania Barge Club of Philadelphia. It is not likely that he will row any races. Ten Eyck won the diamond sculls at Henley in 1897.

WELL KNOWN LAWYER DEAD.

Hamilton, Feb. 15.—Edward Martin, K. C., senior member of Martin & Martin, and one of the best known lawyers in Ontario is dead. The late Mr. Martin was the father of Hon. Justice Martin of the B. C. Supreme court, Mr. Alexis Martin, of Martin & Langley, barrister, and Mrs. A. P. Luxton, all of this city.

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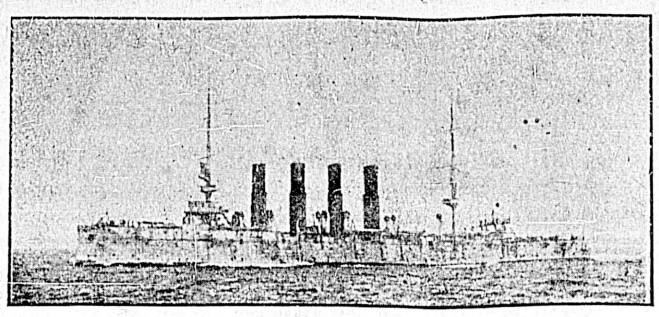

RUSSIAN SHIP DESTROYED AT CHEMULPO.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.—Captain Beliaef of the Korietz, writing to relatives January 9th, said: "I am ready to go to sea at any time. From day to day we have been expecting a fight with the Japanese. We expect sudden attacks, without a previous declaration of war. The wooden fittings have been taken ashore. We have no armor, our strength is only in the guns and the courage of our men. We Russians often depend on courage and the outcome is all right. It may happen that it will not fail us now. I shall do all possible. If they send us to the bottom say a good word for us."

During the patriotic demonstrations at Warsaw on Sunday, a certain Count Dembsky became insane and fired into the crowd from the balcony of his residence. He killed three persons and wounded twenty-five. He tried to commit suicide, but was secured.

The following account of the battle off Chemulpo, which resulted in the loss of the Russian cruiser Variag and the gunboat Korietz, has reached here.

During the night of February 8th the Japanese landed 1,500 men at Chemulpo, and on the morning of the 9th three Japanese cruisers, four gunboats and eight torpedo boat destroyers, under command of Admiral Urin, approached the harbor, but did not enter. The Korietz and Variag were lying in the harbor and the Japanese admiral gave them until noon to come out. Both Russian vessels cleared for action.

All the shipping in the harbor was notified by Admiral Urin to get out of the firing line. There was in the harbor also the British cruiser Talbot, the French cruiser Pascal, the Italian cruiser Elba and the United States gunboat Vicksburg.

The Variag signaled the Talbot and a boat from the British cruiser went out.

Shortly afterwards the Variag and Korcitz got under way and steamed out of the harbor. The crew of the English warship cheered them as they went out to fight. When the Russians were four miles out the Japanese threw a shot across their bows, but they did not stop.

The Japanese lay between the islands, 10 miles out, blocking the entrance to the harbor. When the Russians were six miles from the Japanese fleet heavy firing began on both sides. The Variag turned her broadside loose at 11:55 a. m., then turned at right angles and steamed a short distance westward as if to make the beach, but suddenly turned east and gave the enemy her other broadside.

The Japanese continued firing until 12:22, when the Variag was seen to be on fire near the stern. The Russian vessels then turned back towards the harbor and ceased firing at 12:42 p. m.

The Variag lost thirty men and seven officers killed and forty-two wounded. Count Muro was killed on the bridge.

When the Russians anchored off the entrance to the harbor the British cruiser Talbot sent four torpedo boats out to her with a doctor and nurses. The United States gunboat Vicksburg also sent three boats with surgical aid.

The Korcitz was abandoned at 3:30 p. m., her crew going on board the Pascal, and at 3:57 p. m. she blew up with a terrible explosion. The Variag was abandoned soon afterwards, her officers deeming the situation hopeless. Her dead were left on board. The crew of the Variag went on board the Talbot, the Elba and the Vicksburg. The Variag burned until 6 p. m., with frequent explosions, as the flames ignited her ammunition. Then she sank.

Strayed.—On Saturday last an Irish terrier puppy, seven months old, disappeared from the residence of Mr. Flumerfelt, Cumberton road. The finder will confer a favor and be rewarded by returning the puppy to the above address.

W. O. Miller, inland revenue department, came over from the Mainland last night.

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PERSONALS.

Ernest Bishop, clerk of the C. P. R. telegraph, is back from a vacation trip to Crofton much improved in health.

F. A. Deveraux and Miss Deveraux have left for a visit to Los Angeles.

Hon. R. F. Green has left for Kaslo on a brief visit.

Dr. P. Halton, of London, England, is a guest at the Driard.

D. F. Dickson and J. D. Scott, of Vancouver, are among those registered at the Driard.

M. McDougall, of Seattle, arrived from the Mainland last night, and is registered at the Vernon.

J. H. Taylor, manager for British Columbia of the New York Life Insurance Company, is a guest at the Vernon.

G. H. Sproat, superintendent engineer of the river division of the White Pass and Yukon route, and Captain Whalden left for White Horse last night on the steamer Whatcom. At Seattle they take the Dolphin.

F. J. Stacpoole, a prominent Dawson barrister, returned home yesterday, taking the Dolphin from Seattle.

E. J. Palmer and wife were passengers on the Whatcom to Seattle last evening.

Mrs. Bullen, wife of Mr. W. F. Bullen, of the B. C. Marine railway, left for England on Sunday night's boat.

J. Hobson, of the Cariboo Hydraulic Company, left for Vancouver last night.

D. Healy, immigration commissioner, was a passenger for Vancouver on last night's Charmer.

A. E. Thorne and H. C. Martin, of Toronto, are among those registered at the Vernon.

B. S. Loynne and A. F. Cochrane, newly-arrived officers for H. M. S. Grafton, are registered at the Driard.

Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt, vice-president of the Granby Smelter Company, arrived from Montreal last night.

W. C. Nichol was a passenger on last night's boat.

Hon. Charles Wilson, attorney-general for British Columbia, left for Vancouver on Saturday morning's boat.

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Pursuant to the Trustees and Executors' Act, notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of the late Alexander Roland Milne, C. M. G., who died at Victoria, B. C., on the 17th day of January, 1904, and letters of administration of whose estate were duly issued to Annie Milne of Victoria aforesaid, the widow of the said deceased, out of the Victoria Registry of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, on the 5th day of February, 1904, are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims to the undersigned, the solicitors for the said Annie Milne, on or before the 13th day of March, 1904, after which date the said Annie Milne will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Alexander Roland Milne amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which the said Annie Milne has then had notice, and she will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim the said Annie Milne has not had notice at the time of distribution. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 12th day of February, 1904.

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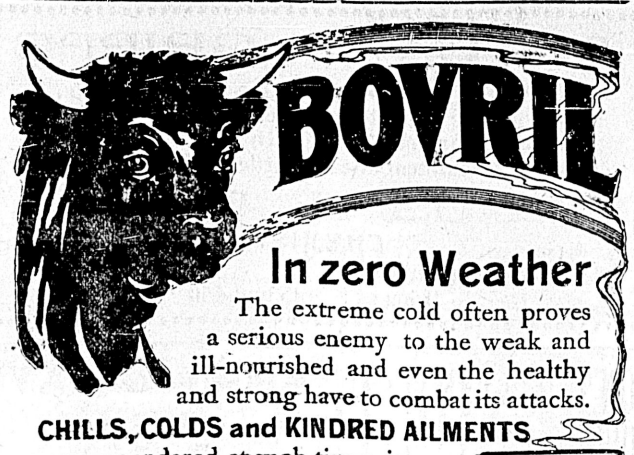

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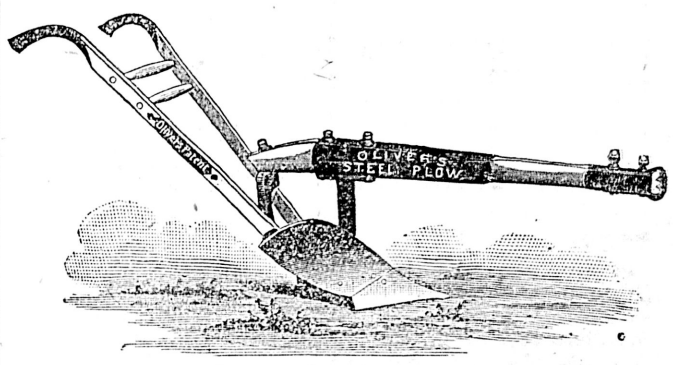

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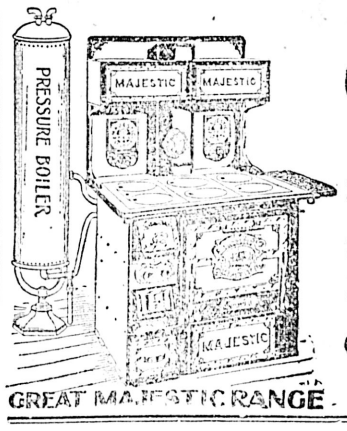

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, Feb. 15.—The stock market today marked time and at intervals came to a halt. But slight as was the demand for stocks it was sufficient to maintain prices as the offerings were entirely insignificent. There was no sign of liquidation nor did the professional traders venture to take the short side of the market. The financial world is in a very composed frame of mind regarding the money outlook, in spite of the Baltimore demand, the coming Panama canal payment and the continued temporary borrowing by railroads.

The abstract of the reports of the national banks throughout the country, as of January 22, shows some comparisons with the condition of November 17, the period of the last call by the comptroller, which help to explain this confidence. While the total of loans for that period has increased some $44,000,000, the reports of the New York clearing house banks between the nearest corresponding dates show an increase of $78,000,000. The aggregate increase in deposits which reached $124,000,000 is also expectedly the New York increase, which was $139,000,000. It thus appears that the enormous increase which was noted in the New York loans during that time, and which has gone still further since then, was accompanied by an actual shrinkage in the loan account of other national banks. This corroborated the supposition that interior banks as well as New York trust companies, were transferring deposits to New York banks to take interest rates by deposits and reducing their own loans because of the low rates to which interest money had fallen. The small loan expansion shown by the Saturday bank statement is also interpreted as showing that the larger corporation borrowings which have made so portentous an impression, were largely provided for in the previous loan expansion.

Of today's noteworthy movements, that in Amalgamated Copper was attributed to an advance in the price of copper. Report was current that an agreement had been reached between the largest individual holders of New York Central stock to pool the stock and withhold it from the market, and the shorts in the stock were made uneasy thereby. The closing was firm but nearly stagnant. The day's business was the smallest in nearly four years.

The bond market was also exceedingly dull and the tone was steady. Total sales, par value, $1,218,500.

United States bonds were unchanged on call.

New York, Feb. 15.—The following were the closing bids on the Stock Exchange today:

Amalgamated Copper	48⅞
American Locomotive	22
American Sugar	124½
American Smelting & Refining Co.	38¼
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe	67¾
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe pfd	89⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	77¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	43¼
Canadian Pacific Railway	116¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	32¼
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	140⅞
Colorado Southern pfd	52½
Consolidated Gas, New York	194
Colorado Fuel & Iron	32¾
Corn Products	18½
General Electric	16
Louisville & Nashville	103⅞
Manhattan Elevated	142¾
Erie Railway	25¾
Missouir Pacific	89⅝
Minn., St. P. & S. St. M.	62
Minn., St. P. & S. St. M. pfd	124
Metropolitan Traction	117⅜
New York Central	114¾
Erie Railway 1st pfd	48¾
Erie Railway 2nd pfd	42½
New York, Ontario & Western	21⅛
Norfolk & Western	58
Pennsylvania Railway	114⅝
People's Gas	101¾
Philadelphia & Reading	42¼
Rock Island Certificates	22¾
Southern Railway	20⅝
Southern Railway pfd	81½
Southern Pacific	46⅞
Tennessee Coal & Iron	37⅝
Texas & Pacific	23
Twin City	89¼
United States Leather	7⅛
United States Steel	11½
United States Steel pfd	57⅞
United States Rubber	11⅞
United States Rubber pfd	48¾
Union Pacific	78⅞
Wabash Railway	18½
Wabash Railway pfd	35⅝
Western Union	87½
C. P. R. in London	120⅝
Commercial Cable	192¾

New York, Feb. 15.—Pig iron, quiet; Northern, $13.50 to $16; Southern, $12.25 to $14.25; copper, firm at $12.50 to $12.75; lead, easy at $4.45 to $4.50; tin, firm; straits, $28.50 to $29; plates, market, firm; spelter, easy; domestic, $4.90 to $5.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—The following were the closing prices of futures on the Board of Trade today: Wheat, May, 97¾; July, 90½; Sept., 86⅝. Corn, May, 56⅝ to 56¾; July, 53¾; Sept., 53¼ to 53¾. Oats, May, 44⅛; July, 39¾; Sept., 34.

New York, Feb. 15.—Money on call, 1½ per cent to 1¾ per cent ruling rate, 1¾ per cent; last loan, 1¾ per cent; time loans, steady; 60 days and 90, 3¾ per cent to 4 per cent; six months, 4¼ to 4½ per cent.

New York, Feb. 15.—Prime mercantile paper, 4¾ to 5 ¼ per cent; sterling exchange, steady at $4.85.60 to $4.85.65 for demand, and at $4.82.55 to $4.82.60 for 60 day bills; posted rates, $4.83½ to $4.84, and $4.86½; commercial bills, $4.82¼; bar silver, 59; Mexican dollars, 45½; government bonds, steady.

London, Feb. 15.—Lead, £11, 12s., 6d.

New York Feb. 15.—Lead, $4.40.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., February, 1904.

(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date	Day	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
		h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	M.	4:16	7.8	8:06	7.1	13:25	9.5	21:10	1.0
2	Tu.	4:32	8.0	9:09	6.8	14:23	9.1	21:53	1.3
3	W.	5:06	8.2	10:08	6.3	15:28	8.6	22:39	1.9
4	Th.	5:41	8.3	11:12	5.9	16:26	7.9	23:26	2.8
5	F.	6:17	8.5	12:20	5.4	17:40	7.2	....	
6	Sa.	0:11	3.6	6:53	8.6	13:29	4.7	19:14	6.6
7	S.	0:54	4.6	7:30	8.6	14:39	4.1	21:14	6.3
8	M.	1:34	5.6	8:06	8.7	15:48	3.5	....	
9	Tu.	0:18	6.4	2:10	6.4	8:41	8.6	16:51	3.0
10	W.					9:17	8.5	17:45	2.7
11	Th.					9:55	8.5	18:33	2.7
12	F.	4:09	7.7	5:49	7.6	10:39	8.3	19:15	2.3
13	Sa.	4:34	7.8	6:57	7.6	11:29	8.2	19:53	2.2
14	S.	4:48	7.8	7:47	7.3	12:22	8.1	20:28	2.3
15	M.	4:51	7.6	8:32	7.0	13:14	8.0	21:01	2.4
16	Tu.	4:45	7.6	9:15	6.6	14:04	7.9	21:33	2.6
17	W.	4:44	7.6	9:56	6.3	14:51	7.6	22:04	3.0
18	Th.	4:58	7.7	10:36	6.0	15:36	7.3	22:36	3.5
19	F.	5:24	7.7	11:19	5.7	16:27	7.0	23:10	4.0
20	Sa.	5:56	7.8	12:12	5.3	17:36	6.5	23:43	4.6
21	S.	6:26	7.8	13:10	4.8	18:58	6.2		
22	M.	0:07	5.3	6:51	7.9	14:11	4.3	20:38	6.0
23	Tu.	0:12	5.8	7:14	8.1	15:11	3.8		
24	W.			7:40	8.2	16:00	3.2		
25	Th.			8:16	8.4	17:03	2.7		
26	F.			9:05	8.5	17:52	2.2		
27	Sa.			10:11	8.6	18:39	1.6		
28	S.	3:26	7.2	6:03	7.0	11:30	8.6	19:24	1.7
29	M.	2:54	7.4	7:06	6.6	12:36	8.6	20:07	1.7

Zero of above heights corresponds to 11 feet in the fairway of Victoria harbor.

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120 Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

ESQUIMALT.

For time of high water add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria.

Esquimalt (at Dry Dock)—From observations during six months, May to October, compared with simultaneous observations continued at Victoria by Mr. F. Napier Denison.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, Feb. 15.—8 p. m.

SYNOPSIS.

The barometer has become abnormally low over the entire Pacific Slope, and a series of low barometer areas are crossing Oregon and California to the interior. These are causing heavy rains from the Columbia river to California. Light rains have been general in this vicinity and southerly gales have prevailed on the Washington coast. More snow is reported in the Rockies.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	38	46
New Westminster	34	38
Kamloops	14	24
Barkerville	—10	20
Dawson	—14	—4
Calgary	—18	—4
Winnipeg	—28	—10
Portland, Ore.	46	46
San Francisco	54	58

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Tuesday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, partly cloudy and mild with occasional rains.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, unsettled and mild with occasional rains.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

MONDAY, FEB. 15.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	43	Mean	42
Noon	45	Highest	46
5 p.m.	43	Lowest	38

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. .... 8 miles northeast.
Noon .... 10 miles southeast.
5 p.m—Calm.

Average state of weather—Showery.
Rain—.11 inch.
Sunshine—2 hours 54 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed 29.410
Corrected 29.445

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 29.46

SUNDAY, FEB. 14.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	40	Mean	37
Noon	37	Highest	41
5 p.m.	41	Lowest	34

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. .... 8 miles northeast.
Noon .... 14 miles north.
5 p.m. .... 12 miles north.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Rain—.01 inch.
Barometer at noon—Observed 29.748
Corrected 29.788

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 29.70

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Passengers per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle: H. Bain, Dr. Hatton, M. Rass, A. Dorin, D. H. Macdowall, Gus Perdan, Mr. Godfrey, J. G. Cameron, J. McLeod, O. A. Nordlund, L. Ward, H. J. B. Pinder, J. Williams, A. P. Rushton, L. E. Gadding, Fred H. Peterson, Ernest Leverson, F. C. Richardson, J. O. Lendstrom, Mrs. Godfrey, J. Wilson, Miss Dane, F. T. Way, J. F. Gordon, Mrs. F. Goodal, R. C. Lawry, C. O. Coleman, R. Robertson, wife and child, J. E. Elliott.

Passengers per steamer Whatcom from the Sound: S. L. Baywell, B. Richards, W. E. Schreck, R. V. Cree, C. A. Stewart, E. E. Watson, Chas Ellery, F. W. Lynch, F. W. Davis, A. R. Coleman, T. A. Richards, J. Wise, Jos. Mallett, J. Housmar, G. McCoy, L. Smith, W. H. Lea, F. Edminster, L. Leman, C. Mundy, N. Potson, J. Bugge, H. M. DeLanty, Mrs. Causten, Jos. Eaton, W. H. Hall.

Passengers per steamer Iroquois from Nanaimo: H. M. Robertson and wife, Miss McCluskey, Henry Ruckle, T. Cullinson, H. L. Robertson, Miss Georgeson, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Grimmer, Miss Grimmer, Mrs. Roe, F. Corbett, Miss N. Grimmer, Robert Roe, J. McAffee, Miss Frith.

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60,000 Carbons, ⅝ inch x 12 inch, copper coated.

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Tenders must be properly signed, sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, from whom also specifications can be obtained.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., February 4th, 1904.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Matthieu Blacquiere, late of the City of Victoria, Deceased.

Whereas upon application made in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, on the 23rd of January, 1904, probate of the will of the above deceased was granted by the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving to Peter Corr, the executor therein named.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act" all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Matthieu Blacquiere, who died on or about the seventh day of January, 1904, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned on or before the 7th day of March, 1904, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further, take notice, that after the said 7th day of March, 1904, the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he then shall have notice and that the said Executor will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 2nd February, 1904.

McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD,
Solicitors for the Executor. Offices Bank of Montreal Chambers, corner of Government and Bastion streets, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Messrs. Wood & Smith, mining brokers, Duncans, B. C., have this day dissolved partnership by mutual consent. f10

Dated Duncans, B. C., Feb. 8th, 1904.

NOTICE.

Tenders for Timber Limits.

Sealed Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Wednesday, 2nd March, 1904, from any person who may desire to obtain a lease, under the provisions of section 42 of the "Land Act," for the purpose of cutting timber therefrom, of a timber limit situated on Vancouver Island, known as Lots 493, 611, 613, 614, 615, 616 and 618, Clayoquot District, containing in the aggregate 11,648 acres.

The competitor offering the highest cash bonus will be entitled to a lease of the limits for a term of twenty-one years.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified cheque, made payable to the undersigned, to cover the amount of the first year's rental ($1,747.20), and the amount of bonus tendered, and also a certified cheque for $7,071.00, being the cost of cruising and surveying the limits. The cheques will be at once returned to unsuccessful competitors.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 9th February, 1904.

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The competitor offering the highest cash bonus will be entitled to a lease of the timber limits for a term of twenty-one years.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified cheque, made payable to the undersigned, to cover the amount of the first year's rental ($467.00), and the amount of bonus tendered, and also certified cheque of $1,200.00, being the cost of cruising and surveying the limits. The cheques will be at once returned to unsuccessful competitors.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 4th February, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that three ... after date application will be made to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by J. W. Mellor & Co., Limited, to change the name of the company to "The Melrose Co., Limited."

McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD,
Solicitors for the Company.
February 9th, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the License Commissioners at the next sitting of their board for a transfer of the license issued in my name for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors by retail at the Victoria Theatre building, Imperial Hotel, on View and Douglas streets, in the city of Victoria, to Jacob J. Schmidt, of the said city of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, this 15th January, 1904.

JOHN H. GOSNELL.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Court, for a transfer of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail, upon the premises situate on the north side of Johnson street, in the City of Victoria, and known as the International hotel, to Richard McGoldrick.

Dated this 1st day of February, 1904.

GEO. B. HOWARD,
By his Attorney in Fact.
C. A. HOLLAND.

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Six Per Cent Debentures.

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The numbers of the drawn debentures will be duly advertised for the information of the holders thereof.

J. H. LAWSON,
Secretary.
Wharf Street, Victoria, Jan. 23rd, 1904.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within the tract of land bounded on the south by the southern boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY.
Land Commissioner.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next session of the Board of License Commissioners of the City of Victoria, for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell liquors by retail upon the premises known as the "Everett Exchange" Saloon, Esquimalt road, to Phillip Crombie.

FRED MASON.
By his Attorney in Fact.
W. F. DICKSON.

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting for the transfer of the license now held by me, to George L. Jones, for the purpose of selling wines, spirits, beer, etc., on the premises known as the "Albion" Saloon, situated on the corner of Commercial Alley and Yates street, in this city.

JAMES McMANUS.
Dated Victoria, B. C., December 24th, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that Robert Martin of the city of Vancouver, B. C., will at the expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, apply to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, for a grant of the foreshore rights in Port Simpson Harbor, in the Province of British Columbia, adjoining the east fractional half (½) of section three (3), township one (1), range five (5), in the Coast District of British Columbia, of which said lands the said Robert Martin is the registered owner. And notice is further given that the plans of the said foreshore have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa and with the Registrar of Deeds at Victoria, B. C., pursuant to the statute.

O. L. SPENCER,
Solicitor for Applicant.
Dated at Vancouver, B. C., 20th January, 1904.

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LOST—Ladies' silver handled umbrella, Pandora street. Finder please return to 26 Stanley avenue. f16

LOST—At about 1:30 p. m. Monday, near post office, $130, all in bills. Reward at 25 Bastion street. f16

LOST—Either on Douglas street, between Yates and Johnson, or on Johnson between Douglas and Blanchard, a gentleman's slipper. Finder kindly return to this office. f16

LOST—$15 in bills, at or near Queen City Bakery, Douglas street, on Wednesday about noon. Reward at Colonist. f12

LOST—Thursday evening at the Arion Club Concert, Institute Hall, a marten fur boa. Please return to Colonist office. f18

LOST—Jersey heifer. Leave word at Watson & Hall's, Yates street. f11

FOUND—A small parcel. Owner can have the same by applying at 81 Humboldt street, and paying for advt. f10

LOST—In town, Wednesday, beadwork belt. Return Colonist office. f5

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TO LET—Furnished cottage near car line, $7. A. Williams, 104 Yates St. f16

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MISCELLANEOUS.

A MEETING of the shareholders of the Omineca & Peace River Mining Company Limited, will be held at Law Chambers, Bastion street, on Tuesday at 8 o'clock p. m. A large attendance is requested. Important business. By order of the Board. D. Fraser, Secretary. f16

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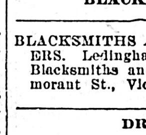

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The Chinese Big Celebration

Celestials Gave one Another Yesterday "Kung" Hee Fa t' Choy.

Chinatown Gay With Bunting, Red With Crackers and Odorous With Punks.

Why the faithful Chink who kindles the matutinal fire and prepares to the best of his Oriental ability the breakfast for his Occidental employers did not materialize Monday morning was perfectly apparent to the most casual observer amongst the hundreds of visitors who thronged Chinatown on that day. It was China New Year's, and Victoria's big Chinatown was gaily bedight with bunting and other decorations indicative of joy. The dragon rampart of the Celestial kingdom flaunted on yellow or red ground in banners, bannerets, burgees and gonfalons from many a tall flagstaff, while other standards bore new year welcome in the Chinese writing.

Every Chinaman who could sport the long clothes of high state dug them up from the bottom of the sandalwood chest and put them on. It was a sight for an artist. Here was a tall, dignified Chinaman, inclining, with increasing years, to a suspicious embonpoint, marching up Cormorant street arrayed like King Solomon in what looked to the profane eyes of the foreign devils like a night shirt that had been in the wash with a dry goods stock whose colors had run. It was an indescribable shade of silk, and was slit from the ankle to the knee at the sides so as not to trip its owner in his progress. Beneath the gorgeous surtout peeped out a pair of shapely limbs swathed in a canary-colored silk pantaloons, wrapped around the calf puttee fashion, and caught into the tops of a pair of new China walking pumps, figured silk uppers and white basement, about two inches thick. On his head he wore the tyee cap of woven black silk, with the red knob to indicate that the wearer was another. He carried an umbrella that would have turned Sairey Camp green with envy for its size and bagginess.

This was only one of the magnificoes of the quarter going to shake his own hands to his friends in their premises, give them the imperial kao-tao, and with smiles and genuflexions innumerable wish them "Kung hee fa t'choy!" which is the Chinese for a happy new year.

In all the larger establishments the doors are waited upon by a smartly attired boys, pages, who, on the approach of a grandee throw wide the portal and stand back, salaaming until the rude Anglo-Saxon spectator imagines they are searching the floor for a lost dime.

The tyee enters as if he had paid the rent for the whole street and had the receipts in his pocket, looks around the room at the people assembled. Then seeing all of them grabbing their own hands and wrists and bowing to him violently with smiles of the warmest, he does likewise, and the "Kung hee fa t'choys" fly about the room like the missed shots at the battle of Chemulpo. Then they give over from sheer exhaustion, and the compliments are continued in an erect posture and a honied tone. Cigars, Chinese sweets, Chinese wine and other delicacies are offered, and after partaking, the visiting swell, backs out amidst a fusillade of high-sounding wishes for eternal happiness and eventual translation to the amaranthine fields of the Flowery Kingdom come.

This sort of thing goes on all day, and there is a solemn dignity and ceremoniousness about those greetings amongst the tyees that make the white people's free-and-easy howdy's look somewhat wanting by contrast.

In the big joss house or temple, the new tapers and punk sticks were illumined early in the morning, and these, with the incense in the great brazen bowls and chalices filled the temple with a suffocating and oppressive odor, supposed by the faithful to be very potent against the surreptitious assaults of the evil one. From morning till away long into the night the Chinamen come there to pay their devotions, burn a punk stick or tip the custodian of the stinkpots. The Chinaman on entering gives a reverential kao tao to Joss, whose dirty and excruciatingly ugly face glares through the rolling clouds of incense like the recollection of a first-class nightmare.

Outside in the commoner sections of Chinatown the coolies are dressed in their Sunday overalls, and are trying to look happy. The sidewalks, doorways, even the streets are littered deep with red papers, the remains of the hundreds of thousands of fire crackers exploded on the previous evening to frighten off the designing enemy of the human race. When those fireworks are in process of combustion the noise is maddening enough to frighten Lucifer and all his sooty legions to the nethermost depths of the Chinese quarter of the hereafter. Christian influence and example have had no more effect in reducing the firecracker rite to innocuous desuetude than if such things did not exist. The Chinaman goes along the path worn deep for five thousand years; worships his ancestors, burns his devil-scaring crackers, and pays tribute to his own fantastic gods, absolutely heedless of the opinions of the white people who do themselves the honor to hire and pay him for serving them in many capacities; so many that it is a testimony to his versatility and resource, qualities with which he is not as a rule credited by those who do not know him except as something that has an existence, but is not worth studying or making a fuss abount.

Family and club gatherings are all the go in Chinatown on New Year's night, and then, as a rule, all old scores are settled, amicably, over the flowing bowl of Chinese wine, the shallow chatty of tea or in some other sociable manner. One of the pleasing features of the celebration is the extension of the gift-giving to the white people, especially the youngsters. Every washeeman, vegetable vendor or Chinese servant bring bags of chee nuts, packages of firecrackers, dried fruits, China lilies or cigars to the patron or employer.

Every New Year the Chinese swear off from all their pet vices—and play fan tan and the Celestial poker and black jack as furiously as ever the same night—alle samee Melican man. Passing along the streets in the Chinese quarter one may hear the merry rattle of the dice and the peculiar crepitation of the fan tan chips, mingled with occasional grunts from the players. The protestations of reform uttered in the joss house in the morning seem a long way off by nightfall, and John is as ready to gamble his month's wages as he is in midyear.

There is really no fixed date for the observance of Chinese new year. Like the Christian Easter, it is a movable feast. Chinese new year falls on the first moon after the sun enters Aquarius, which makes it not before January 21st and not later than February 19th. The Chinese year is lunar, thus having fewer days than our year to correct this discrepancy, seven times in every nineteen years, an intercalary month is inserted, thus adjusting the difference. After all, John Chinaman is justly entitled to a little fling at his new year, for it is to be doubted if there is a nation on earth which puts in more hours of work without a break of any kind than the Chinese.

Victorians can probably lay aside antipathies at this time and extend to the Celestials who are in the country the wish that they may have a good time while they elect to remain here; although no doubt those blessings would be infinitely more fervent and heartfelt were they offered at the foot of the gangplank up which the last of the children of Confucius had silently loped en route for the Yellow Empire.

MOTION LIST.

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Drake yesterday morning in Rex vs. Jagger, application was made to set aside order estreating bail and subsequent proceedings. Application granted without costs.

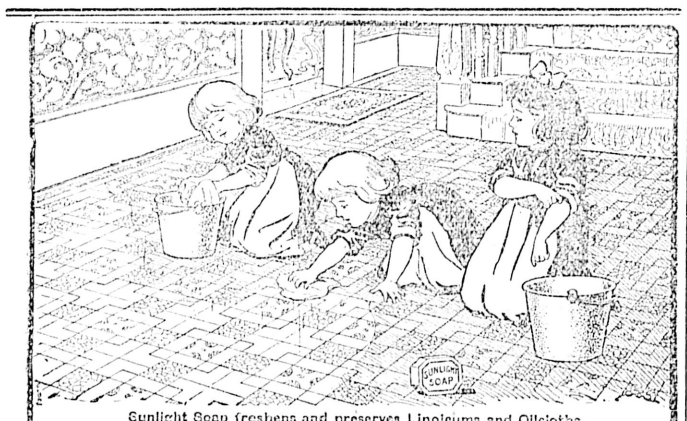
IN CHAMBERS.

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Drake yesterday morning in chambers: Application by Lawson on behalf of Times Printing and Publishing Co., adjudication on claims and to sell assets. Claims allowed and sale approved. Coles vs. C. P. R. Co., affidavit of documents. Gregory for plaintiff and Lawson for defendant. Reciprocal order, ten days for affidavit.

Victoria Lumber Co. vs. Cary, for sale of land under Judgment Act; Lawson for plaintiff. Notice of application to be advertised in Nanaimo paper for a month, four insertions, son to be served.

Re Esther Cummings, deceased, ancillary probate; Morphy for defendant. Granted.

Wm. Atkinson and re Reformatory Act; application for leave to apprentice boy to W. McKenzie. Order made.



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Seattle Inquiry Into Clallam Wreck

Decision in Full of the Board of U. S. Inspectors Who Conducted Investigation.

Evidence Of Many Witnesses Is Reviewed in an Exhaustive Manner.

Following is the decision in full of the board of United States inspectors who conducted the investigation at Seattle into the Clallam disaster:

"On January 8, 1904, the steamer Clallam foundered in the Strait of Fuca, drowning fifty persons of the passengers and crew. An investigation of the causes of this disaster was commenced on January 18, 1904, by the United States local inspectors of steamboats and finished February 3, 1904. The findings are as follows:

"The steamer Clallam, bound for Victoria, B. C., left Port Townsend at 12:10 p.m. January 8, 1904. Shortly after rounding Point Wilson a heavy southwest squall was encountered which terminated in a steady, strong gale from the southwest. All went well until some time about 2 p.m., when the bilge suction of the line pump and siphon became choked. Then the reserve pumps were started on the bilges. About this time a deadlight in the engine room on the starboard side, the outer frame of which had been sprung slightly near the hinge, preventing the lid from closing and which had been very inadequately plugged before leaving Port Townsend by the assistant engineer and oiler, had had its lid fastening carried adrift and came open, admitting considerable water. This was soon closed up with blankets held in place by means of boards nailed across the opening in the ceiling.

"After all plunger pumps became choked, the circulating pump was connected with the bilge. The water gained very rapidly and soon reached the furnaces, extinguishing the fires. The blanket, with which the deadlight had been closed, became water-soaked and slipped out of place and the light again came open. It was soon closed again by Mr. Doney, the mate, with the assistance of the asisstant engineer and one of the sailors in as satisfactory a manner as circumstances would permit.

"About 3 p.m., or shortly after, the fires were put out by the rapidly rising water. The three lee boats were then lowered, and the first one, filled with women and children, was given in command of Capt. Lawrence, an experienced navigator of Victoria, B. C. This boat was struck by the ship's guard and nearly capsized, spilling nearly, if not quite all, the occupants into the sea. The second boat, which contained the remainder of the women and children, together with some of the male passengers, was successfully launched and cleared from the ship's side. This boat, which was in command of no officer belonging to the ship, but a sailor who held a British Columbia mate's license, had gone but a short distance when she was swamped by a heavy sea and the occupants washed overboard. The third boat, filled with passengers and crew, was up-ended by the fouling of the forward fall and nearly all the occupants precipitated into the sea. This boat would not have been in command of an officer of the ship had she been successfully launched. The lowering of the boats took place about 3:30 p.m., or a little later. The weather boats, which it was impossible to launch, were then made ready and lowered to the level of the rail of the passenger deck. Flag signals of distress were displayed about the time these boats were lowered. It was then discovered that only the engines room and fire room spaces were flooded, the fore hold having but little water in it and the fore peak being practically free. A hasty conclusion formed by Capt. Roberts, from the fact that the engine room and fire rooms were flooded, was that the ship had mysteriously opened up, that the flood was general throughout the ship, that if she continued to leak at the same ratio, she had only a very short time to float; and the hasty lowering of the boats resulted.

"The later discovery that the forward compartments of the ship had but small amounts of water in them was evidence to Capt. Roberts that the ship had not opened up her seams. This fact, coupled with the fact that the ship was kept afloat nearly ten hours by bailing with buckets, is proof positive to the inspectors that the ship did not leak, and the evidence all shows that she never leaked nor had shown any signs of weakness.

"About 10:35 o'clock p.m. the Puget Sound Tugboat Company's Holyoke, which had been despatched from Port Townsend, found and took the Clallam in tow at a point a little to the westward of a position half way from Smith's Island to Cattle Point, San Juan Island. We believe that the sea was too rough to permit the transfer of passengers or crew at this time. Though Captain Roberts notified Capt. Hall, of the Holyoke, that the Clallam was leaking, he did not notify him of the seriousness of her condition, and, though Capt. Roberts' orders were: "Tow me to the nearest port," he should have been more explicit, and have ordered his ship towed to the lee of Lopez Island, which was the nearest practical shelter. There is no certainty, however, that this place would have been reached as the tow was strong ebb at the time and a very heavy sea running, before which the Clallam would probably have steered badly, the inclination of all vessels being to lie in the trough of the sea in rough weather.

"At 1 a.m. the Puget Sound Tugboat Company's tug Sea Lion arrived on the scene. As the ship at this time was before the sea, the dining-room windows had been stove in and water was coming in very fast, the Sea Lion was ordered to ask the Holyoke to stop towing and come back and take the passengers and crew off. As soon as the hawser slacked the Clallam sheered and turned turtle, throwing everyone into the water. The house then washed off and the Clallam sank, a number of the persons thrown into the water at this time being drowned. Too much credit cannot be given the officers and crew of the tugboats in the rescue work.

"The evidence shows that for an interval of about three-quarters of an hour, commencing at the time the trouble with the bilge strainers began, a much greater quantity of water entered the ship than could possibly have been admitted through the small port aft. From the evidence, which shows conclusively that the ship was not in a leaking condition, and from the evidence given by the different members of the engineer's department, we are convinced that for a time the ship was flooded by the manipulation of the sea and bilge valves. The attempt to show by the testimony on the part of some of the crew that the rudder was defective, we cannot consider seriously, from the fact that the ship had been steered effectively and without trouble until the ship's headway was materially slowed.

"Great stress has been brought to bear to show that a small air port was the principal cause of the foundering of the ship. This port, being in the engine room and immediately under the supervision of the engineer, we hold him responsible for commencing a voyage if he did not consider it absolutely safe.

"The evidence shows that when Mr. De Launay reported the deadlight, or air port, out of repair, he also made the statement that he did not consider it of much importance, and would attend to it himself; and, furthermore, we do not consider that the air port, had it been carried away entirely, as sufficient cause to justify the awful calamity.

"We find that the Clallam was well and properly equipped with pumps of the best construction, bilge strainers and suction pipes properly and conveniently placed.

"The amount of water which entered and sank the ship, and the time consumed in doing so, justifies the conclusion, and all the evidence tends to show and results prove that said pumps were not handled in an efficient manner, and we find that the primary cause which led to the sinking of the Clallam was neglect on the part of the chief engineer; neglect in not attending to and keeping the bilges under control; neglect in not notifying the captain immediately the water in the bilge was beyond control, and incompetency in not improvising means to keep the pumps in operation.

"We are of the opinion that Capt. Roberts erred in not having an officer of the ship in the second and third boats. That he did not attempt to take his ship to the nearest shelter, by giving explicit orders to the master of the Holyoke, we believe was an error.

"By authority of section 4,450, R. S., the license of Capt. George Roberts is hereby suspended for one year.

"By authority of section 4,450 R. S., the license of Scott A. Le Launay is hereby revoked.

"BION B. WHITNEY,
"Inspector of Hulls.
"ROBERT A. TURNER,
"Inspector of Boilers."

THE JAPANESE SECRET SERVICE

Russia's Doings are Well Known to Japanese Intelligence Department.

If you should take a Jap, shave off his little moustache, let his hair grow and braid a false queue into it, and then dress him in Chinese garments, how many Americans do you suppose could tell him from the original, simon pure John Chinaman, More pertinent to the matter in hand, how many Russians do you suppose could find him out? says a writer in the New York Sun.

The experiment has been made, not once or twice, but hundreds and thousands of times, and the result is known to a certainty—the white man can't detect the counterfeit.

This is one of the most important facts in the crisis that exists in the Far East. It makes it possible for the Japanese to know all that the Russians are doing in Manchuria—how many troopers are there, what their condition is, how well they are equipped and provisioned, where they are now, and what are their facilities for rapid concentration.

Never probably, has one country on the verge of war been more thoroughly informed as to the circumstances and purposes of its potential enemy than is Japan with regard to Russia. Her intelligence department is superb, and in this case it is working under a peculiar advantage, due to the similarity between the racial characteristics of her people and the people among whom the Russians are quartered.

The efficacy of this spying system has been proved. When the war between China and Japan, which came on in 1894, was imminent, it was worked against the Chinese themselves, who, of course, are very much more capable than the Russians of detecting a Japanese wolf in Chinese sheep's clothing.

At that time there was a Japanese physician practicing his profession in Shanghai who, as has since been disclosed, was the head of Japan's secret service in the Flowery Kingdom. To him came daily reports by underground railroad, grapevine telegraph, and all sorts of ways that were as vain as those of the heathen Chinese himself. He had under his direction an organization that extended to every source of military and political information. Merchants, professional men, laborers, household servants and Japs made to look like Chinamen were his agents.

Now Japanese eyes see and Japanese ears hear all that Russia conceals from the rest of the world. The Russian Viceroy may give newspaper correspondents their walking papers, as he has done before now, but all his repression and his censorship will not keep his every move from being reported at Tokio as promptly as news can travel.

Railway Men Here.—Among the passengers by the Charmer yesterday evening were eight general agents, both freight and passenger, of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railway. The party absorbed the general agents of the line at Portland, Helena, Spokane and Seattle, who accompany the officials on the tour through the Northwest. The visit is merely to look into the road's freight and passenger business from the Pacific Northwest. The party is made up of George H. MacRae, assistant general passenger agent at St. Paul; H. M. Pearce, general freight agent at St. Paul; Robert R. Ritchie, general Pacific coast agent at San Francisco; C. A. Cairne, general passenger and ticket agent at Chicago; F. W. Parker, general agent at Seattle; Harry H. Collins, general agent at Spokane, and E. A. Gray, general agent at Helena. They go to Seattle this evening.

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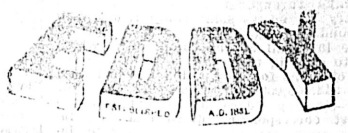
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Shawnigan Lake	10:20	10:40	Shawnigan Lake	4:20	5:40
Duncans	11:00	10:02	Duncans	5:00	5:00
Ladysmith	11:57	9:10	Ladysmith	6:05	4:00
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